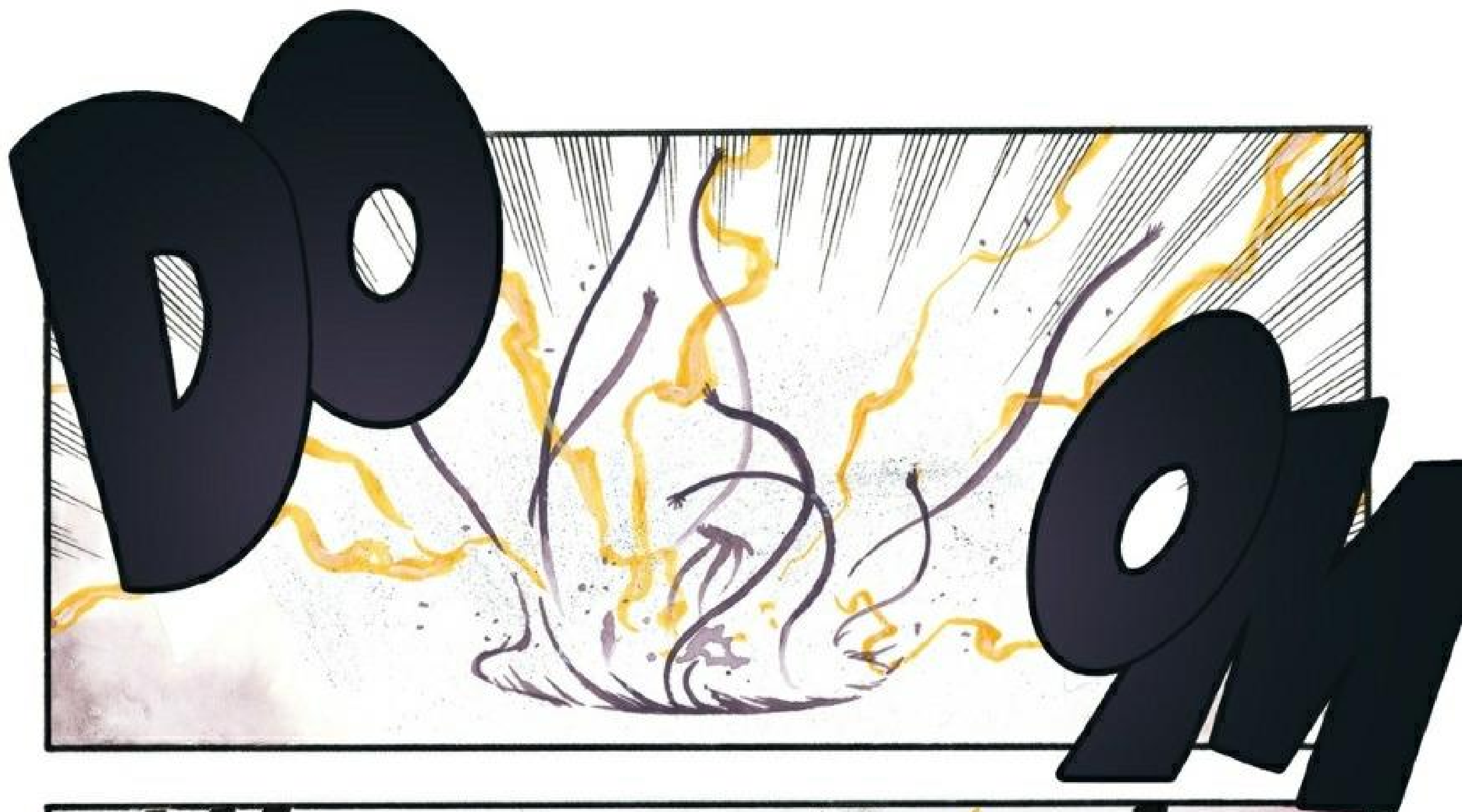






Chapter 102

Before the Portal



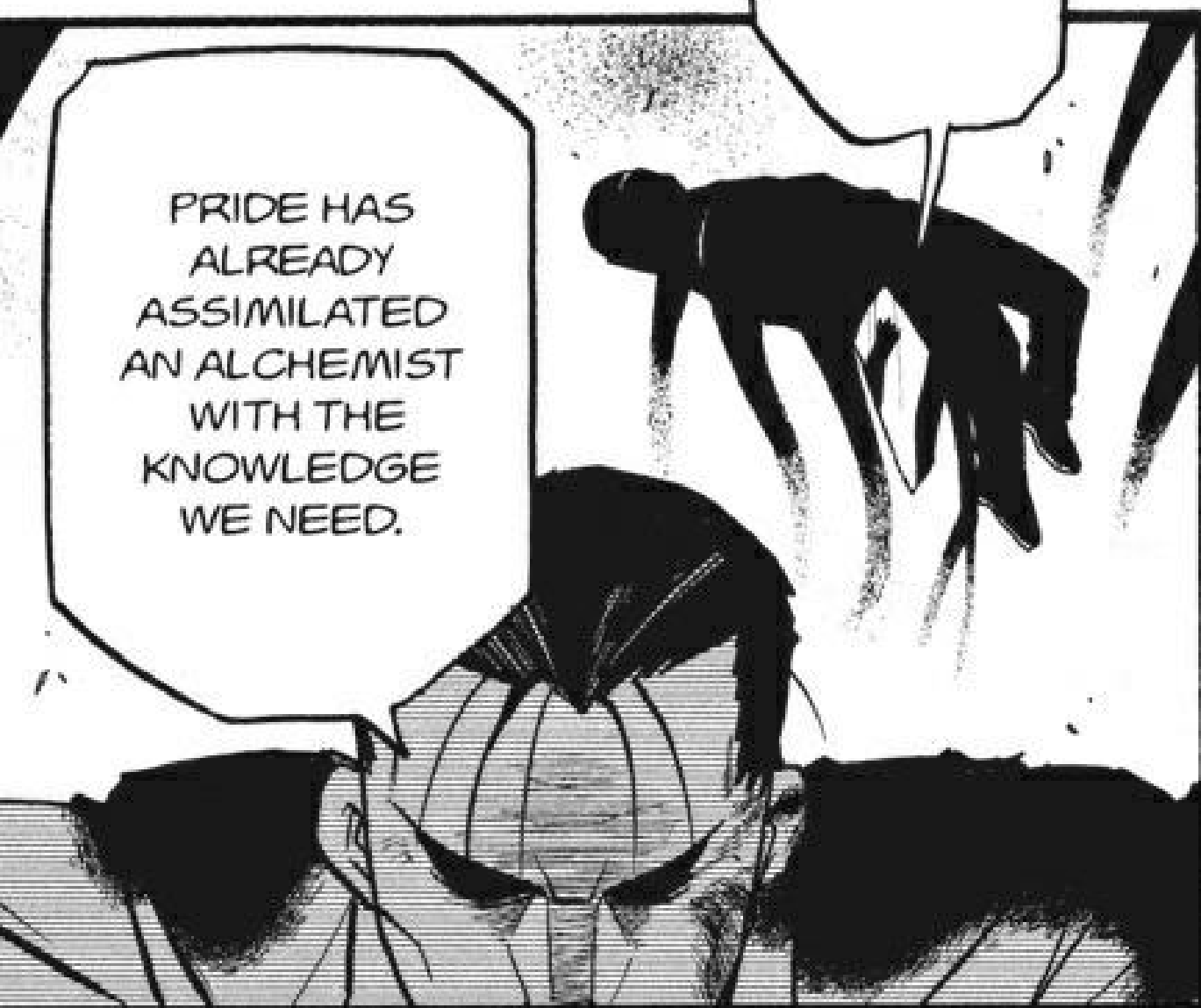


FULLMETAL
ALCHEMIST



I'LL
NEVER
DO--

WHAT
YOU
WANT IS
IRREL-
EVANT.



PRIDE HAS
ALREADY
ASSIMILATED
AN ALCHEMIST
WITH THE
KNOWLEDGE
WE NEED.

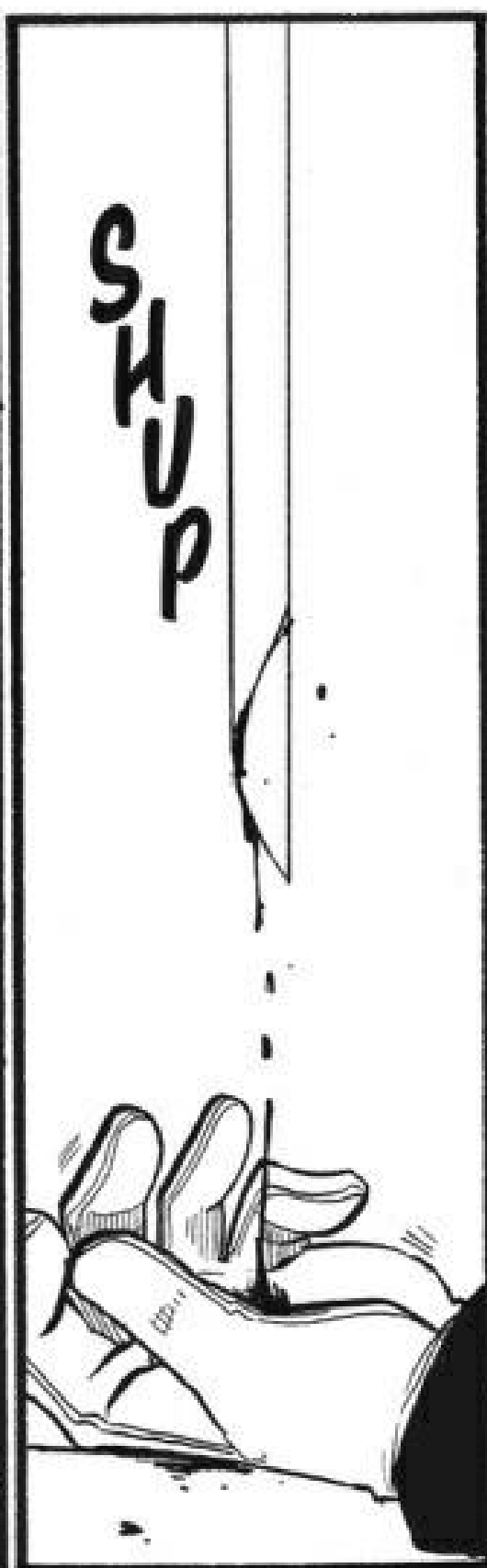


THIS MAN
HOLDS THE
FORMULA
FOR HUMAN
TRANSMU-
TATION.



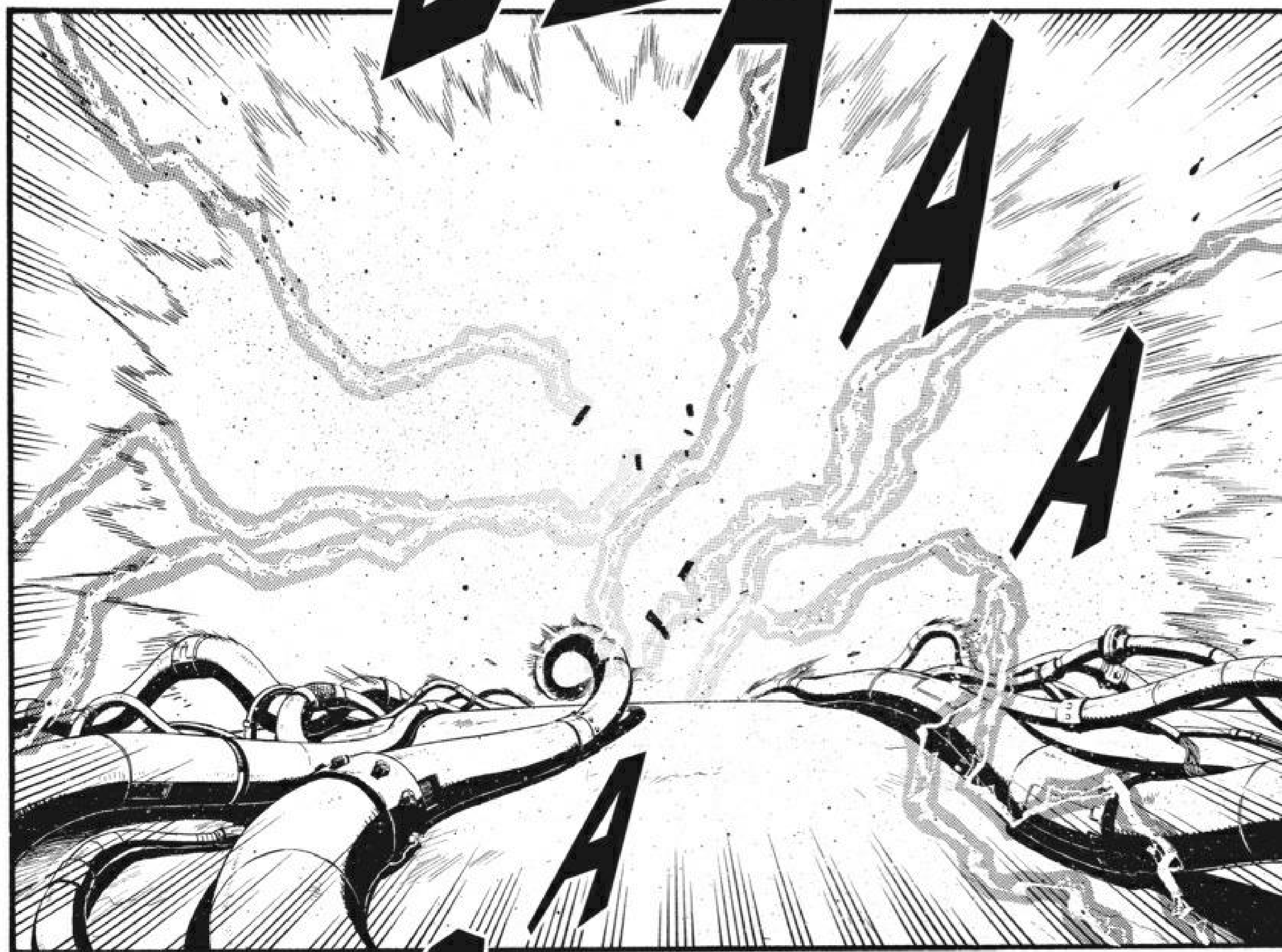
IF YOU
WON'T OPEN
THE PORTAL
VOLUNTARILY,
THEN WE'LL
MAKE YOU
DO IT BY
FORCE...

...COLO-
NEL
MUS-
TANG.





BLA



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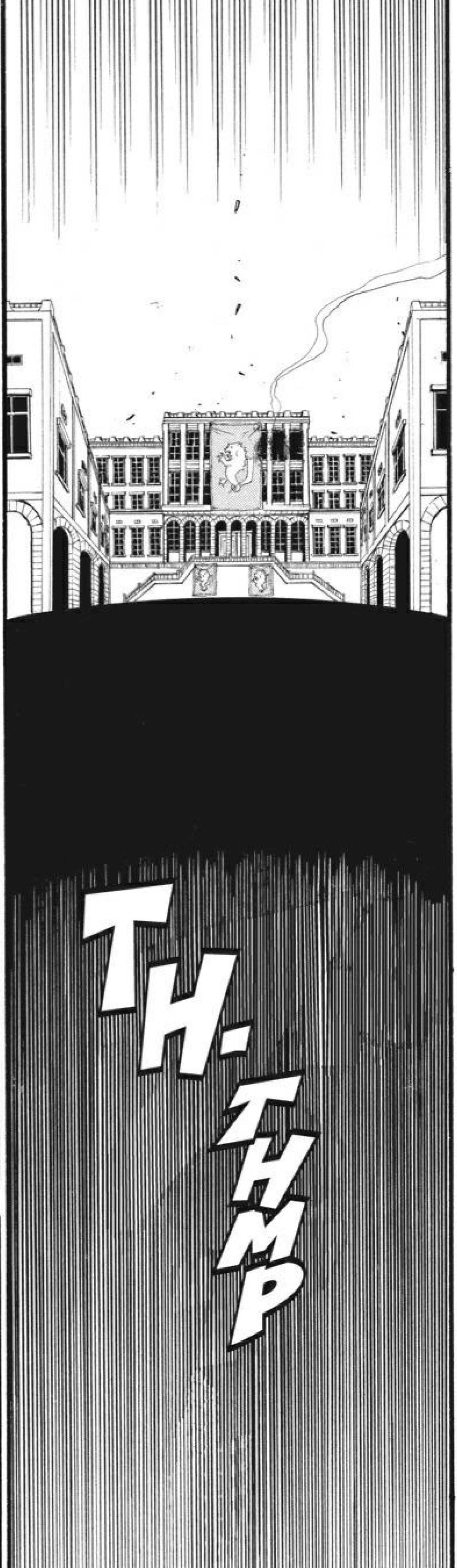
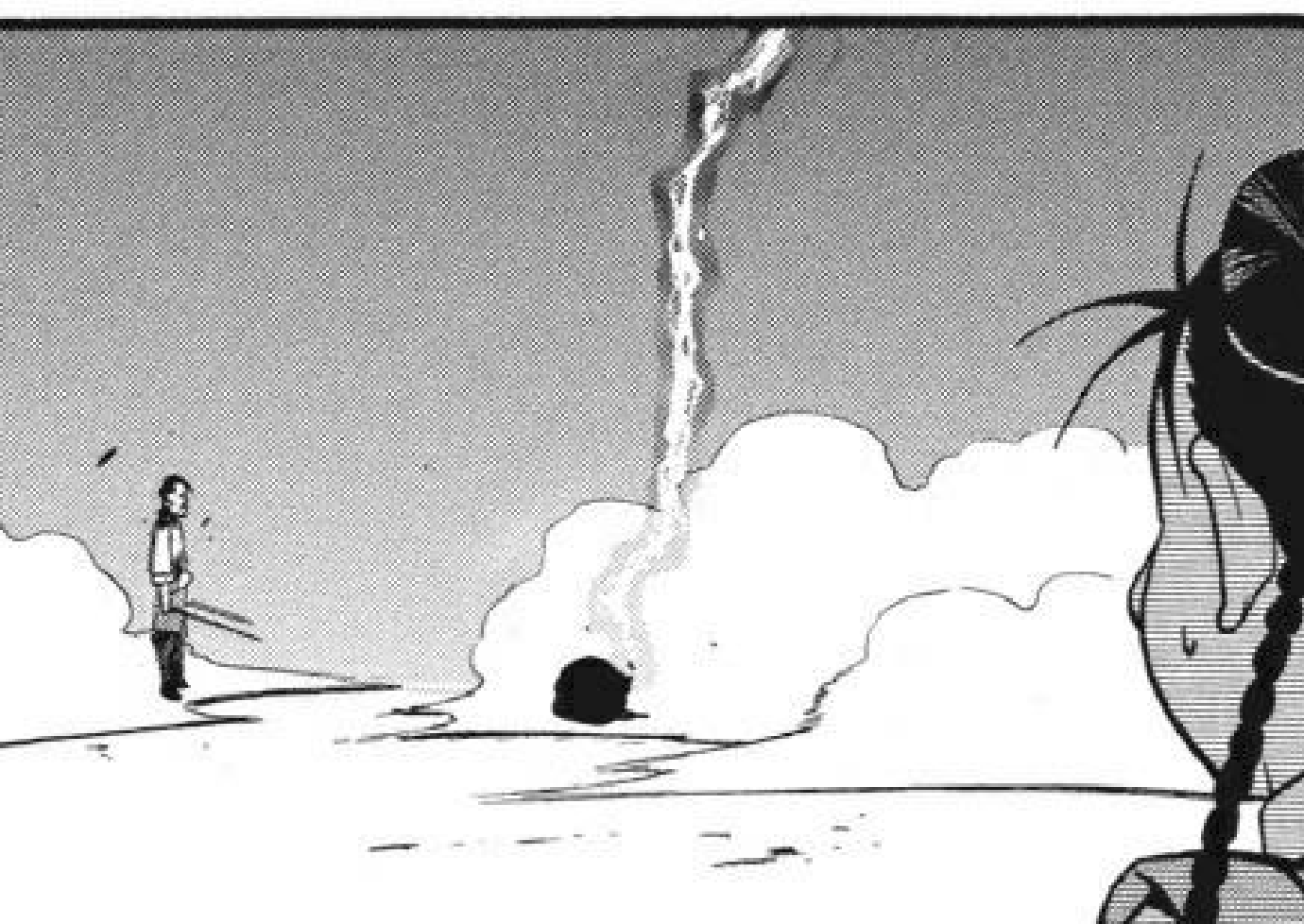
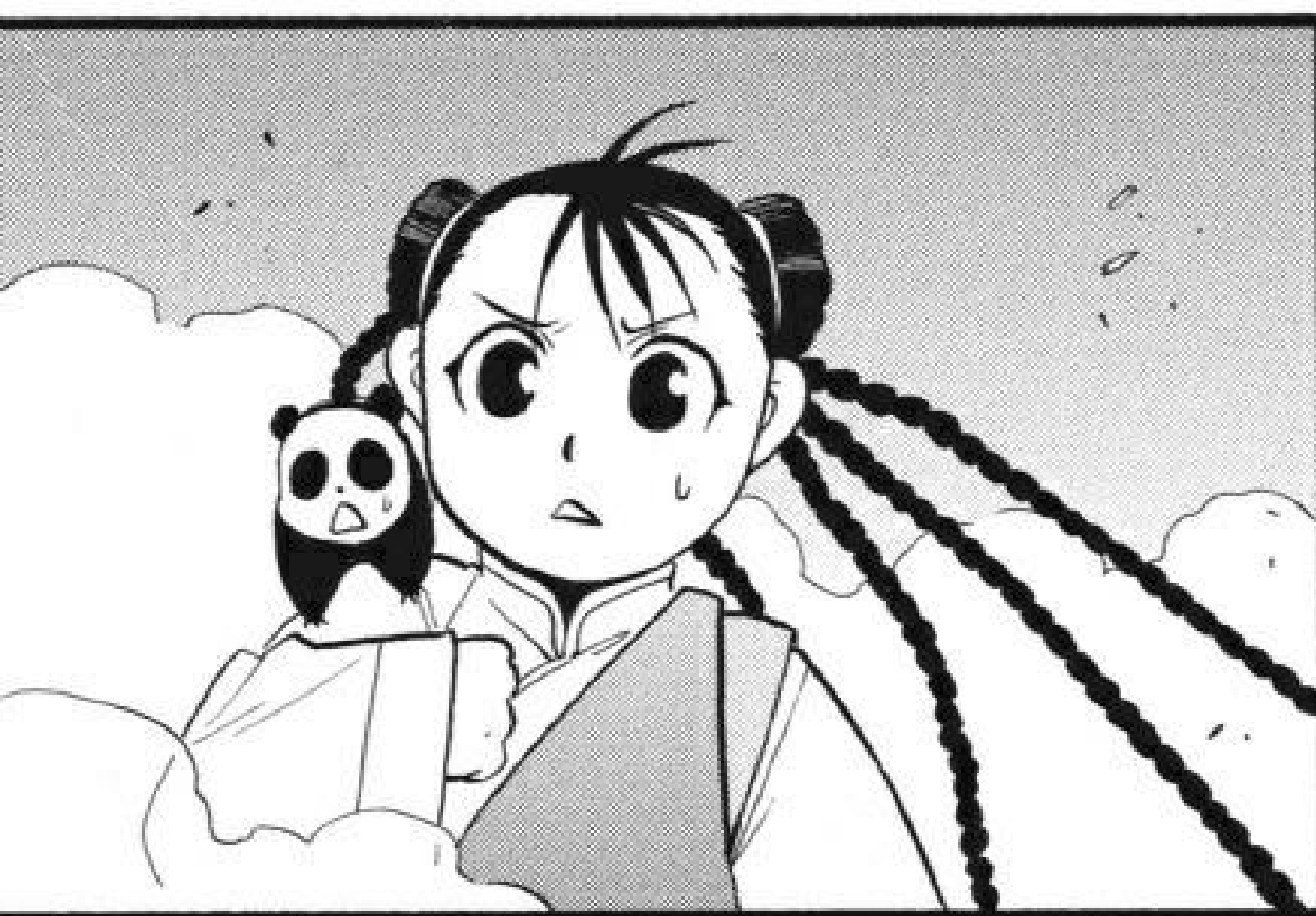
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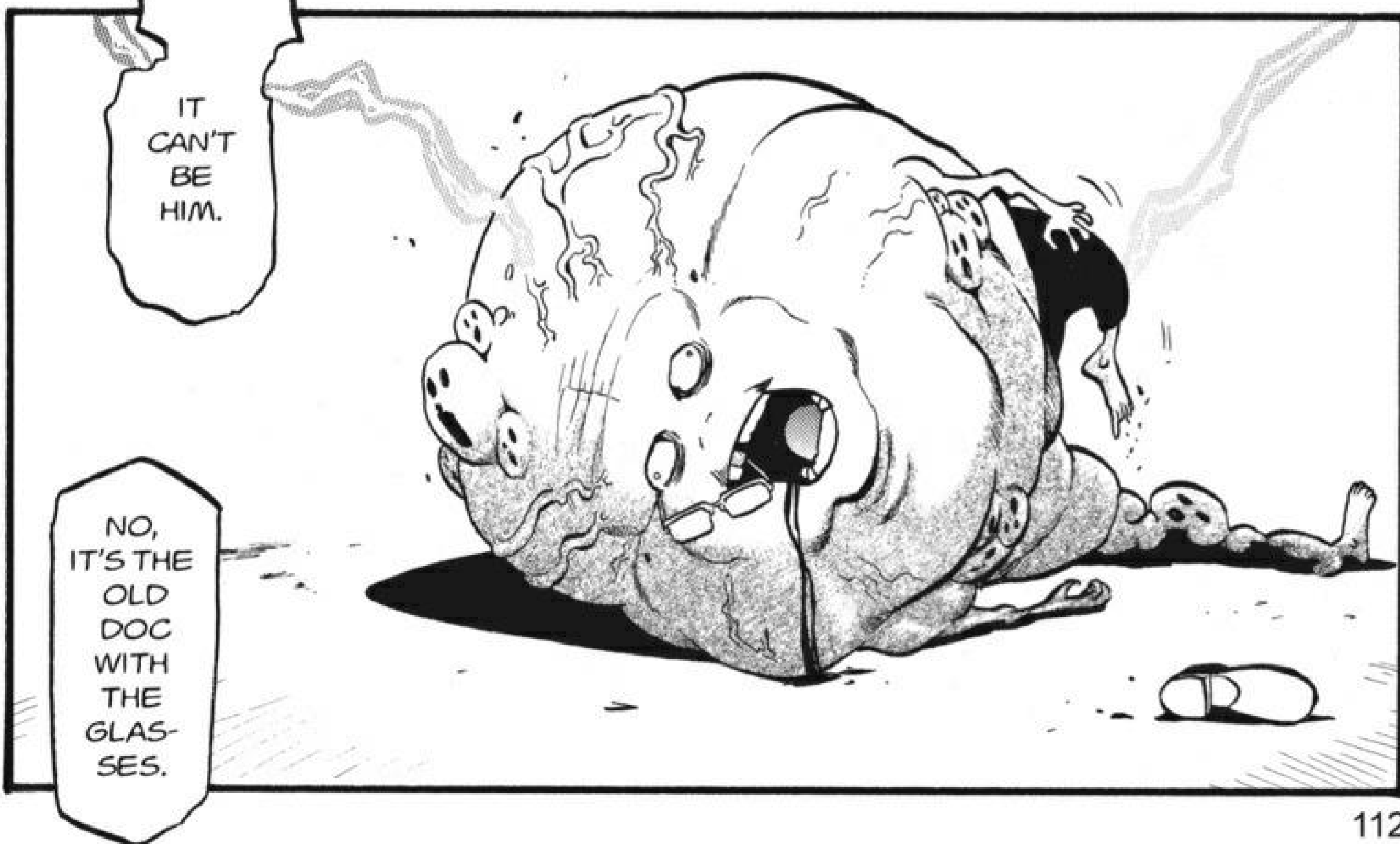
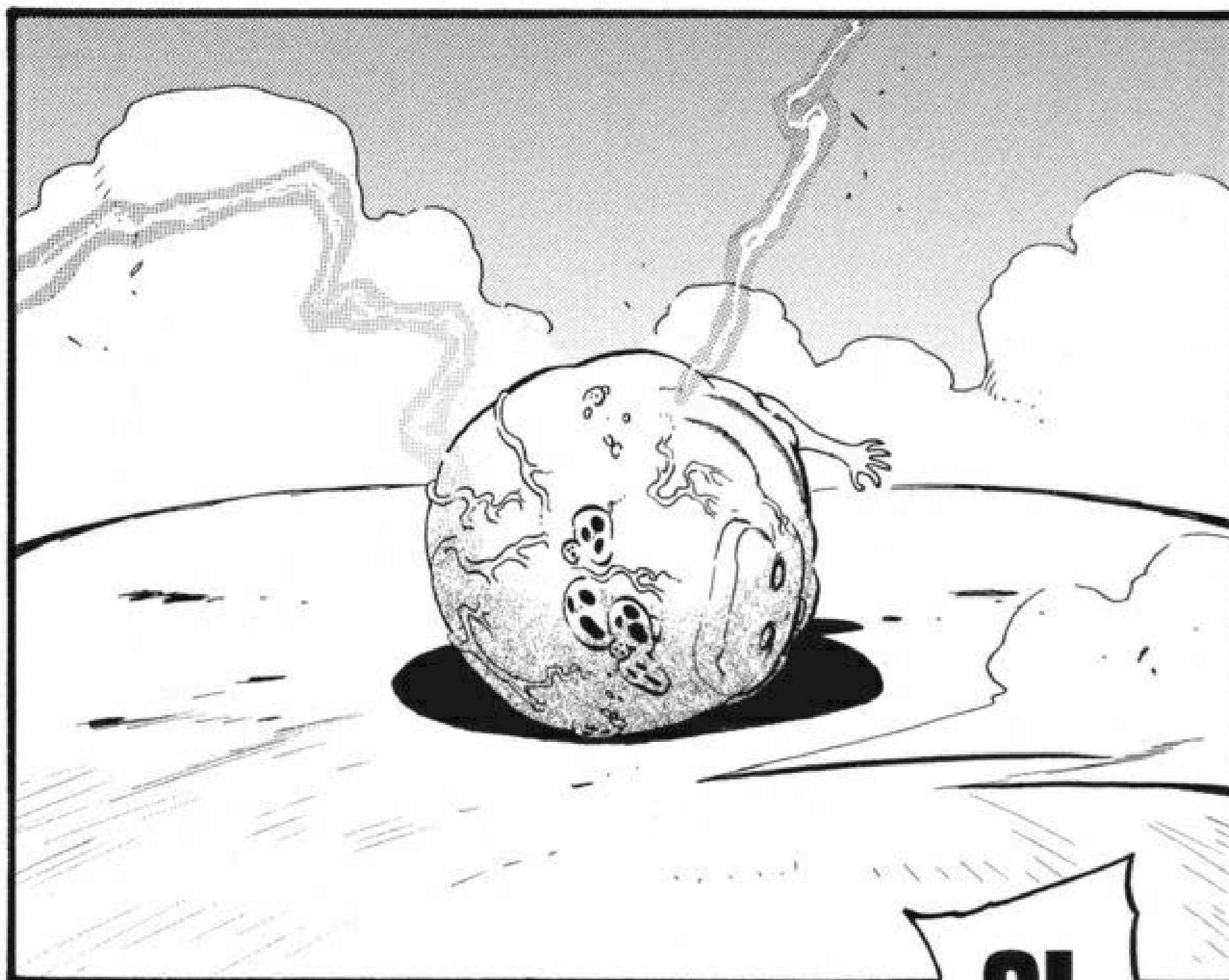


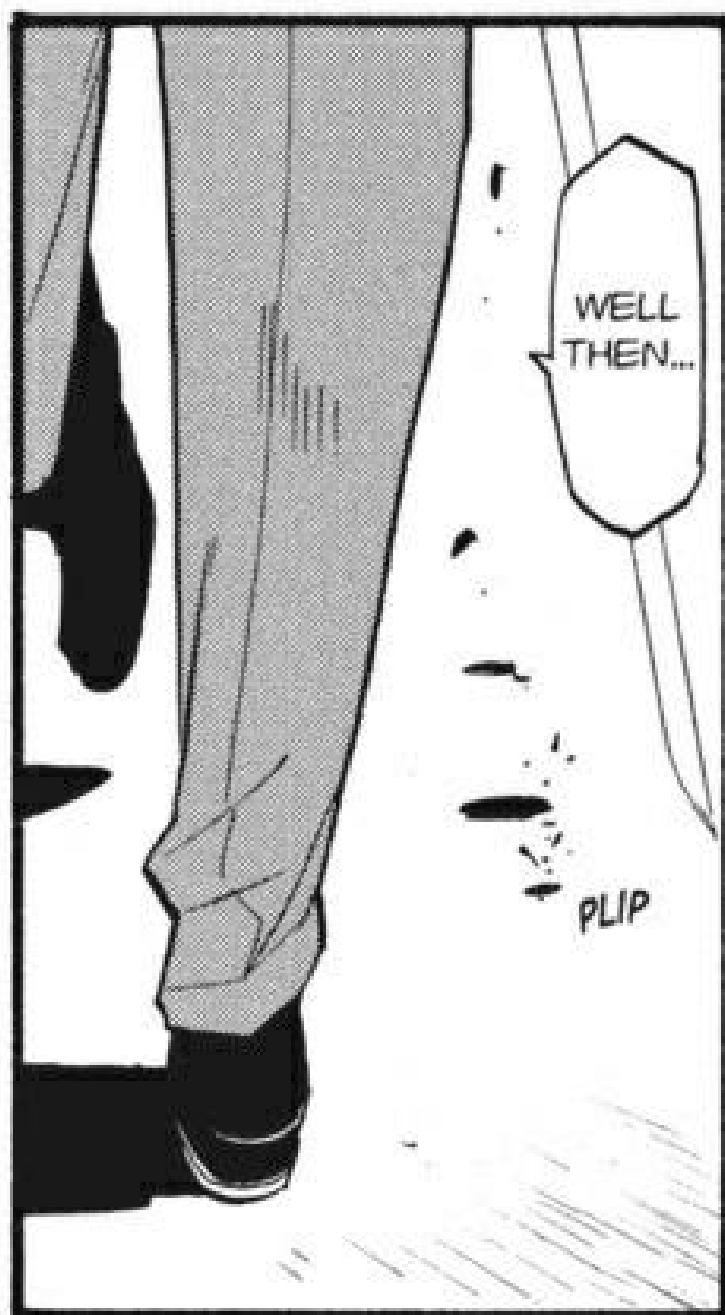
H

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MN...









WHO WILL
HAVE THE
HONOR OF
TAKING ME
DOWN?



MUS-
TANG'S
DOG?

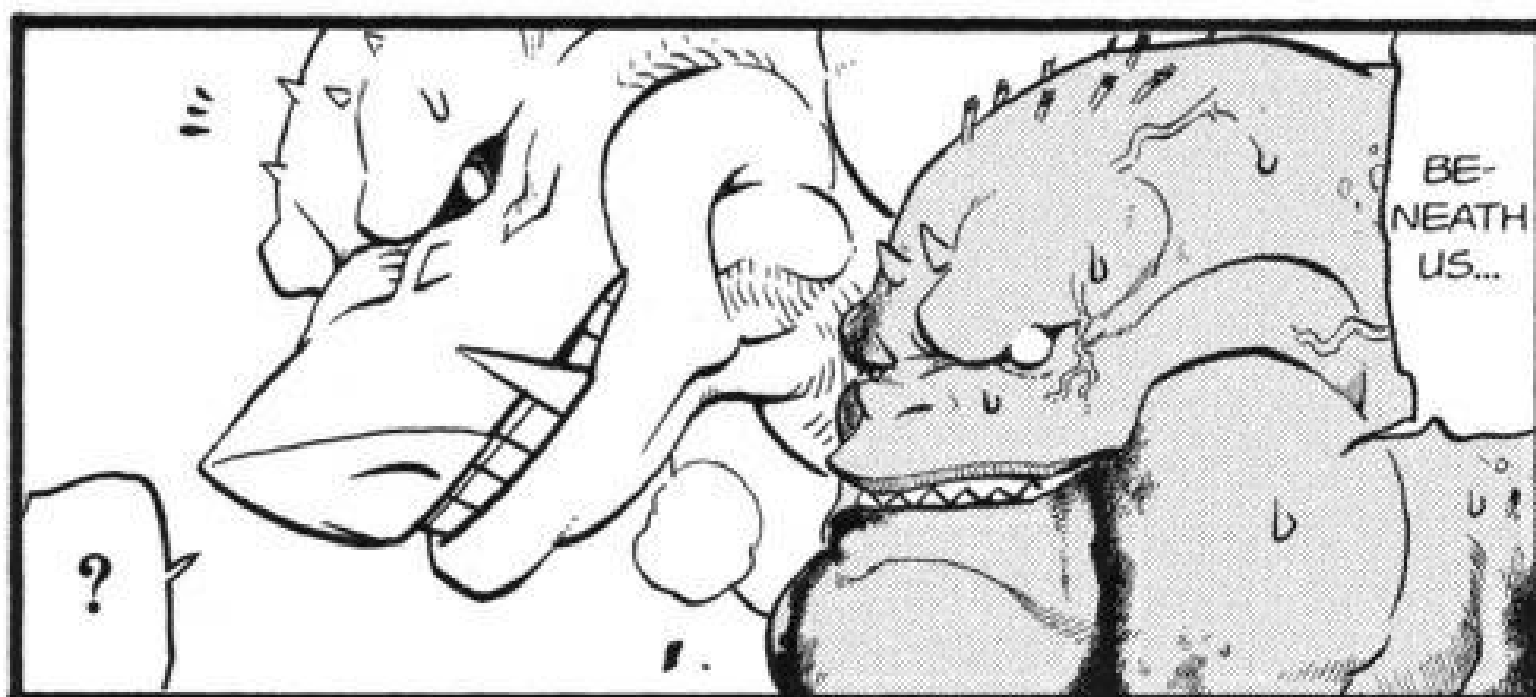
A
CHI-
MERA
?

THE
FOR-
EIGN-
ER?

OR...

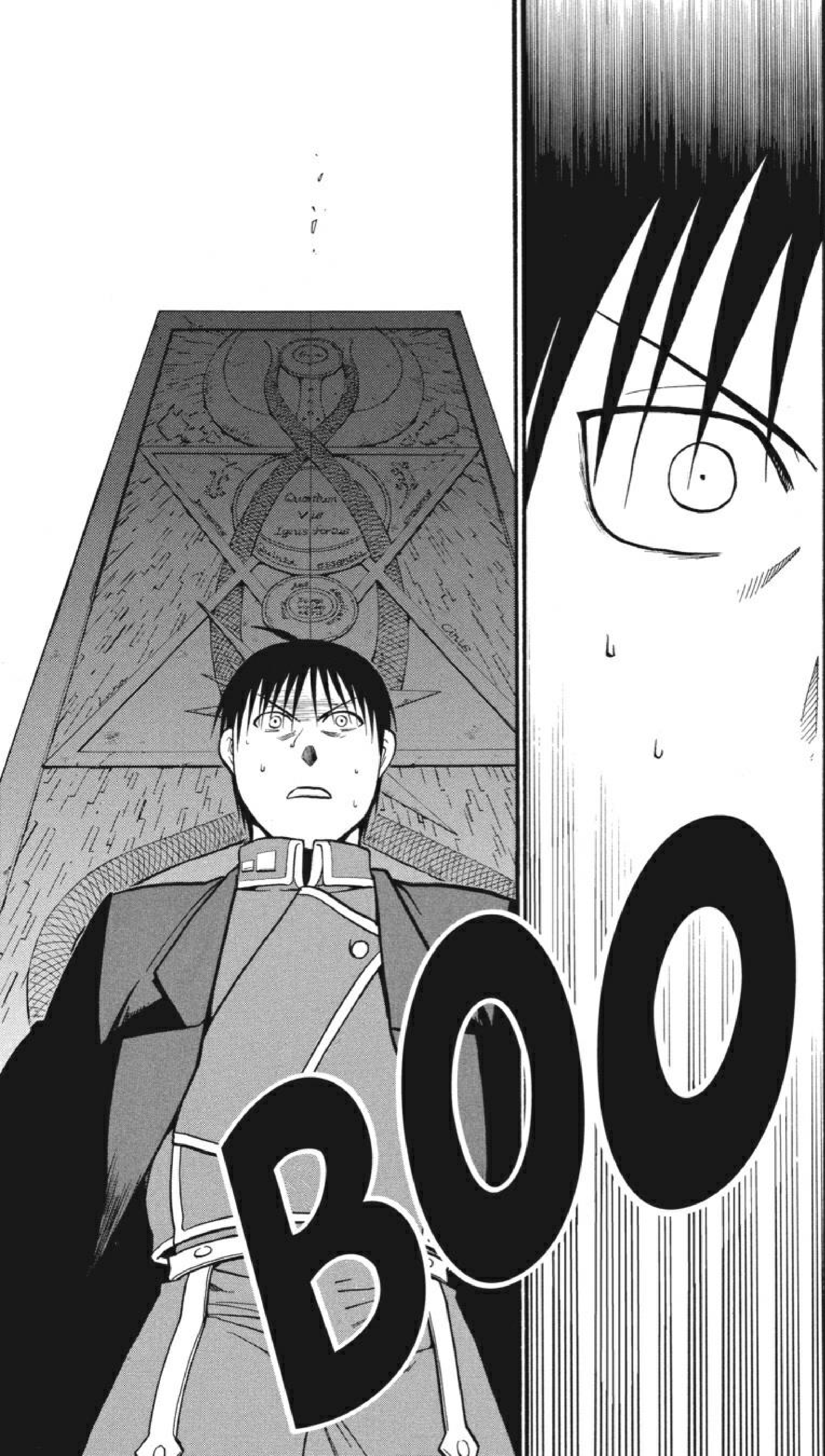


WILL
YOU
ALL
ATTACK
ME
TOGETHER
?



WHEN MAY SAID,
"IT'S COMING
FROM DIRECTLY
BENEATH US,"
THE DOC GOT ALL
FLUSTERED.

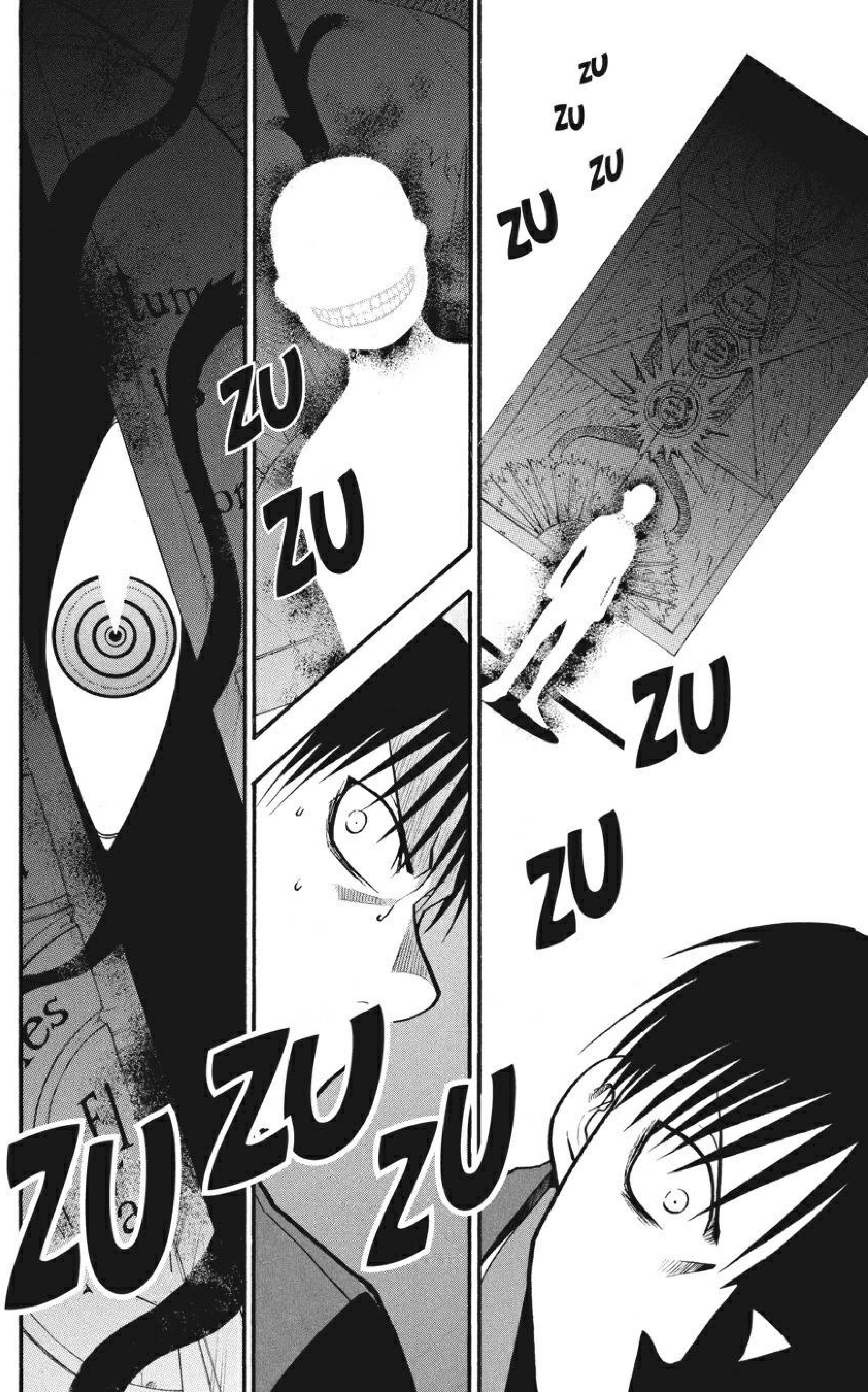


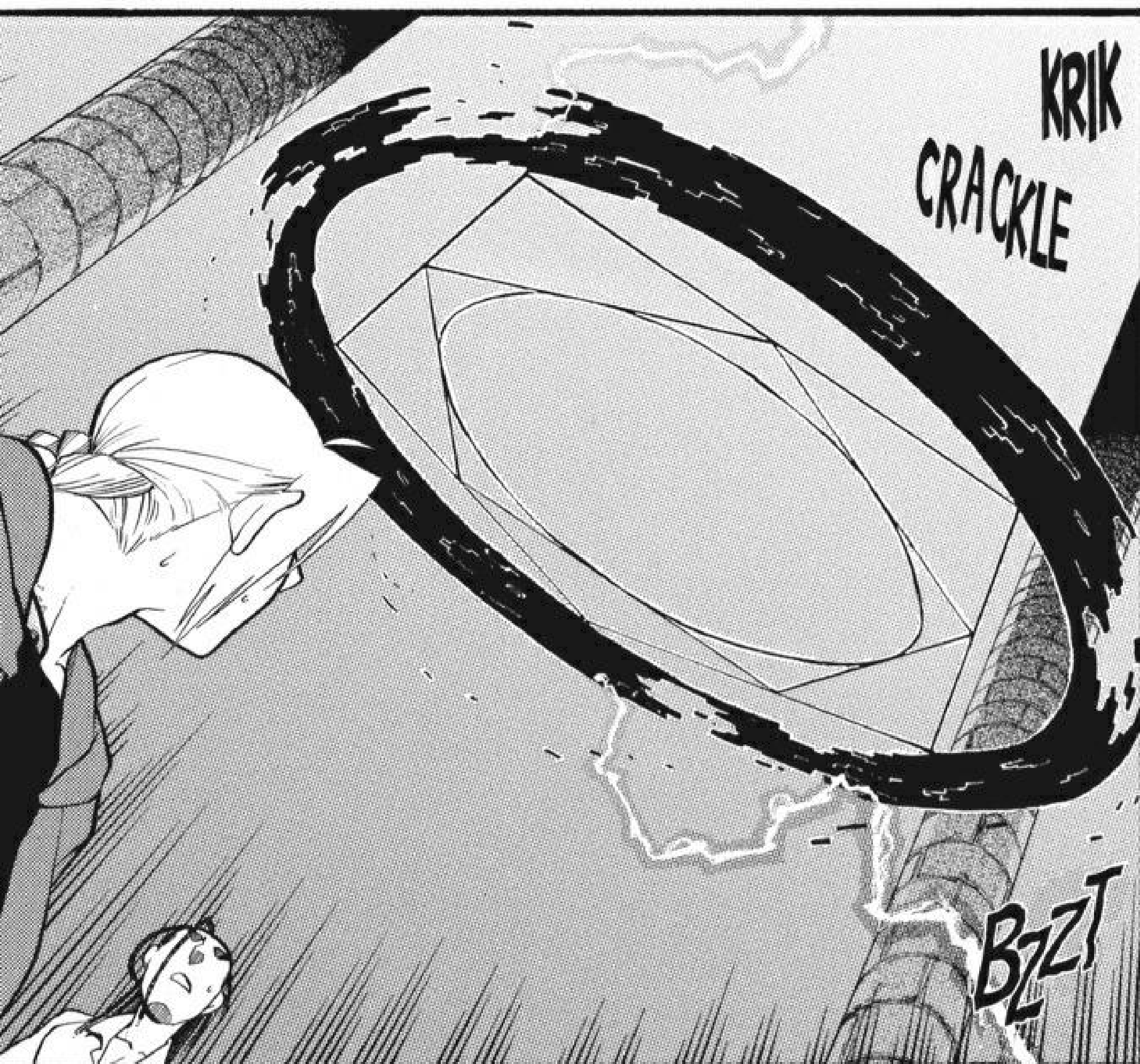
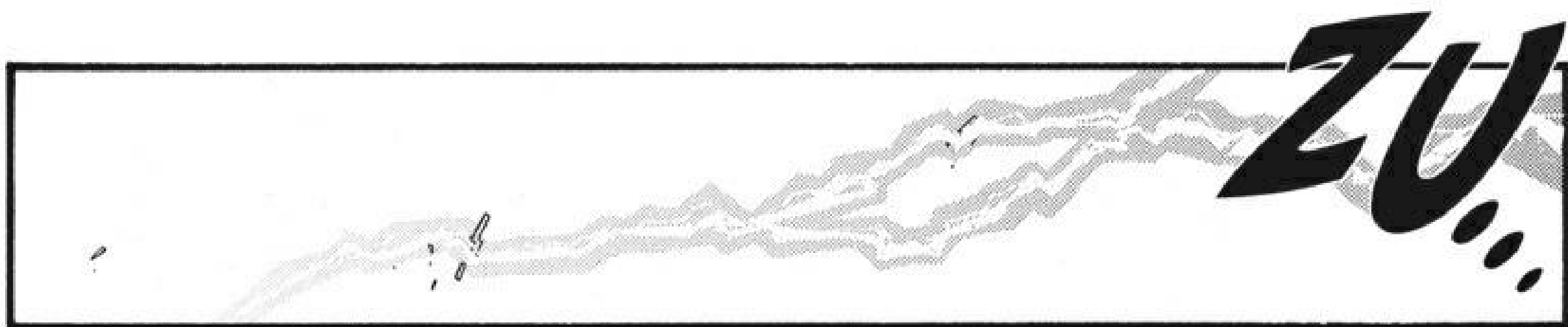


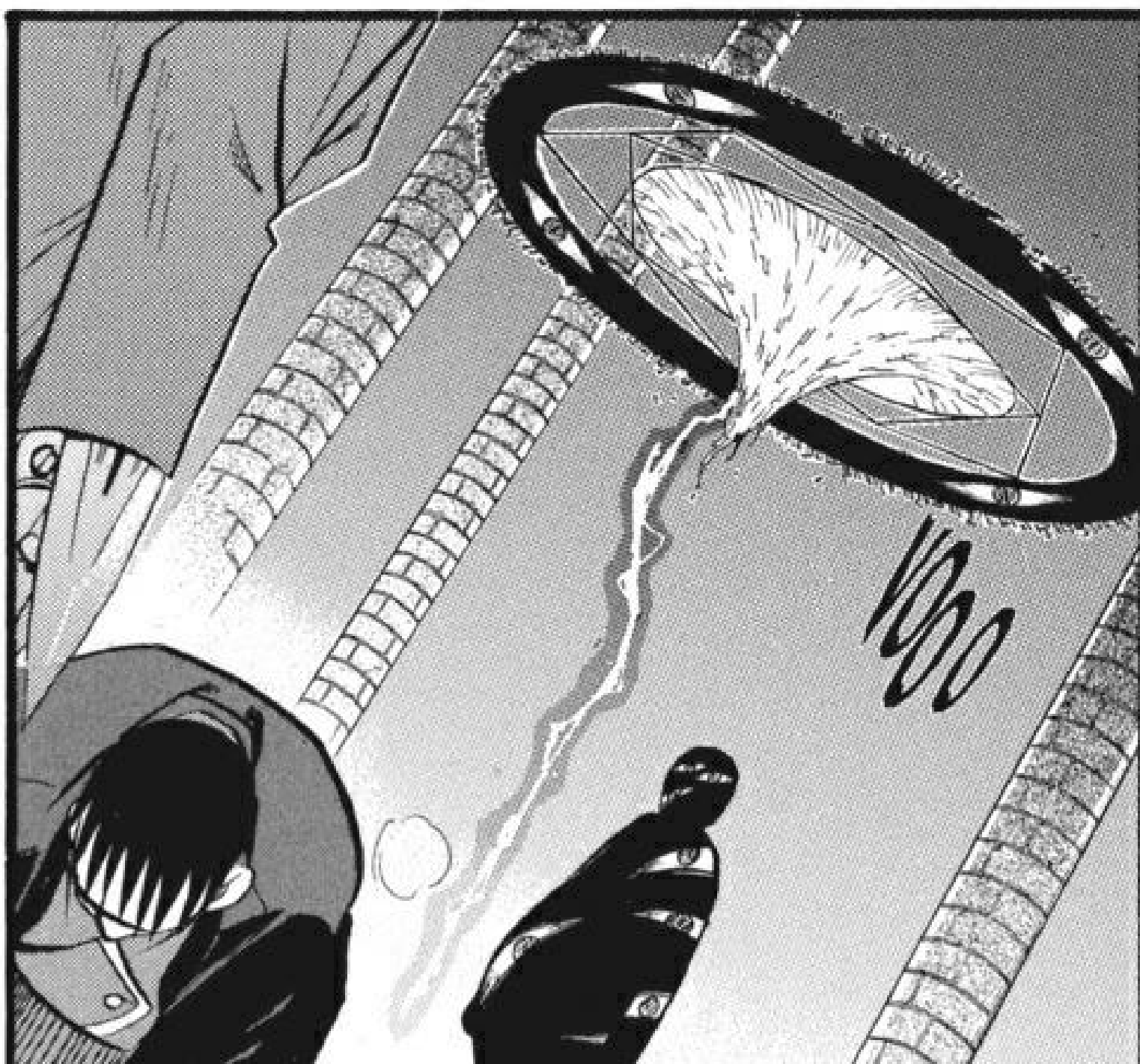
CRACK

THEN
DOWN
THERE
IS
EXACTLY
WHERE
WE
MUST
GO.

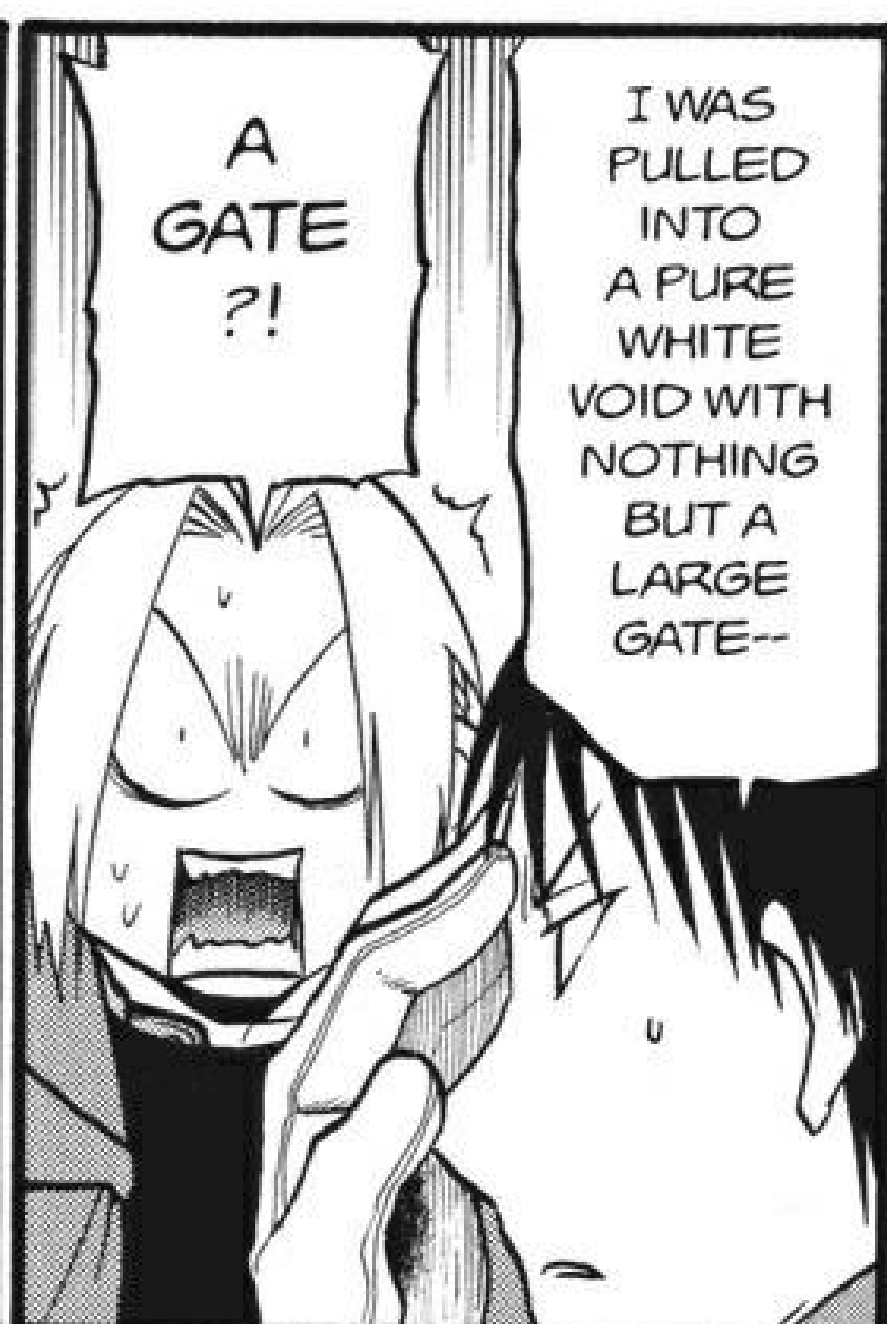
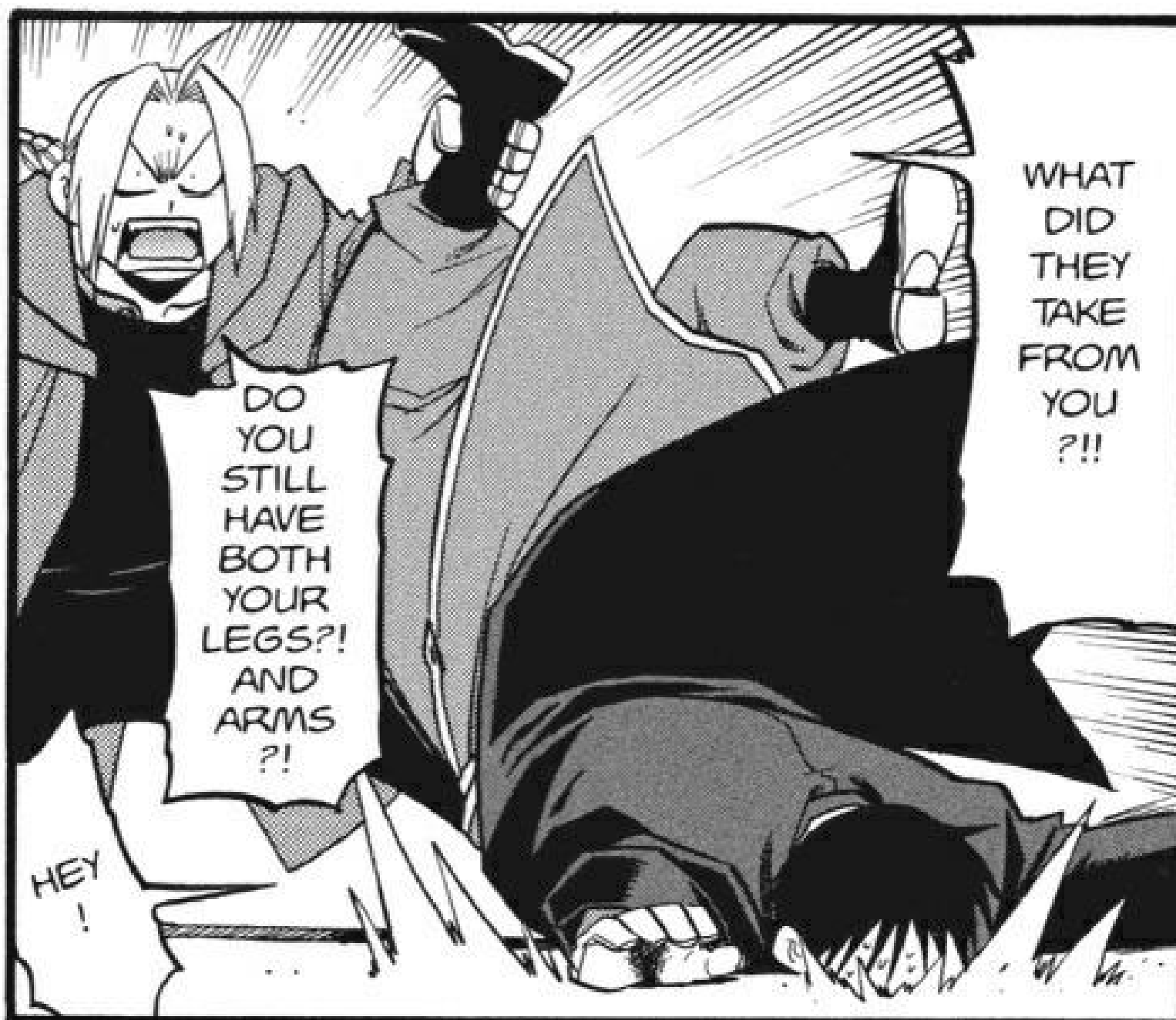
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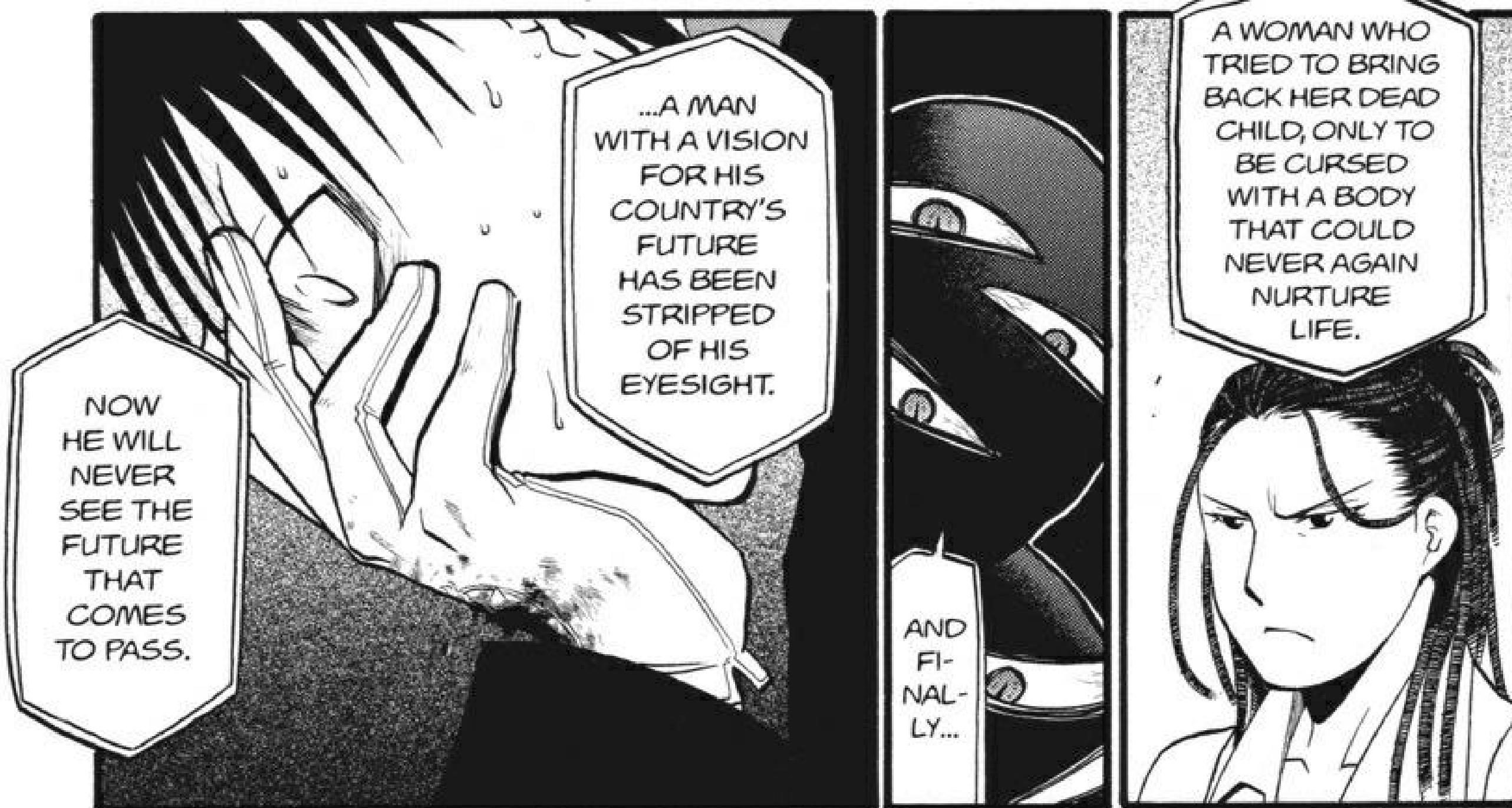




THE OTHER
WAS DEPRIVED
OF EVER AGAIN
FEELING THE
WARMTH OF
HUMAN
CONTACT.

ONE OF
THEM LOST
A LEG TO
STAND ON
AND ALL
BUT LOST
HIS ONLY
REMAINING
FAMILY.

A PAIR OF
BROTHERS
WHO WERE SO
DESPERATE
TO FEEL THEIR
MOTHER'S
WARMTH AGAIN
THAT THEY
DARED DO THE
UNTHINKABLE...

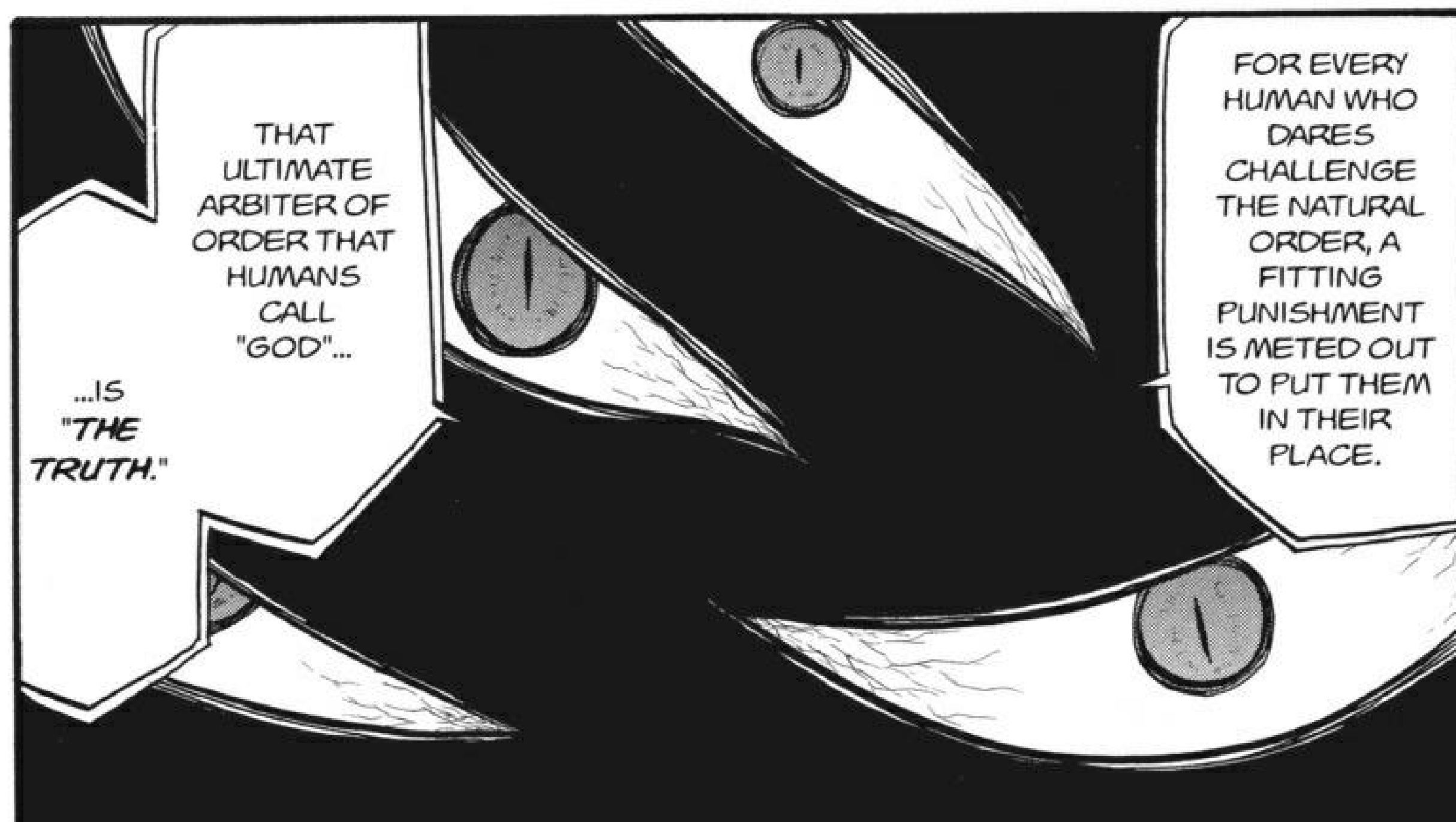


NOW
HE WILL
NEVER
SEE THE
FUTURE
THAT
COMES
TO PASS.

...A MAN
WITH A VISION
FOR HIS
COUNTRY'S
FUTURE
HAS BEEN
STRIPPED
OF HIS
EYESIGHT.

AND
FI-
NAL-
LY...

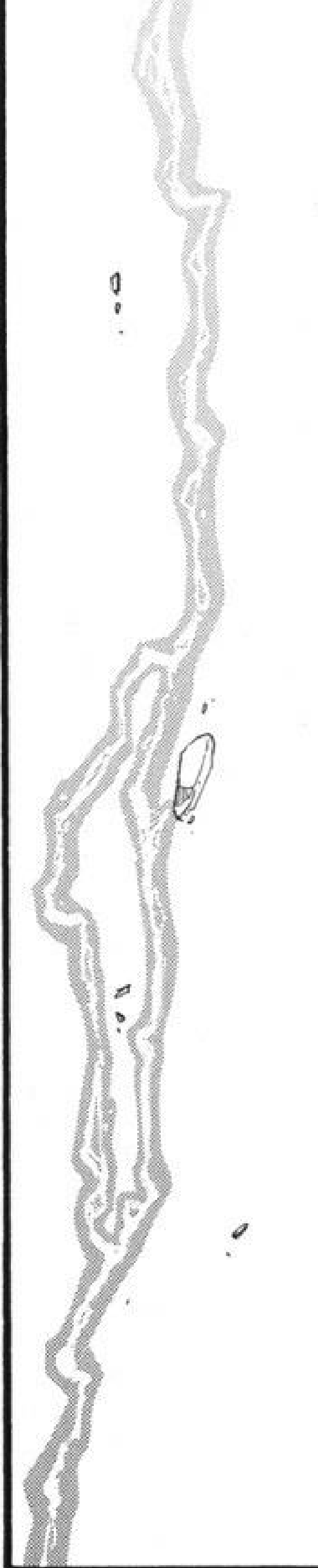
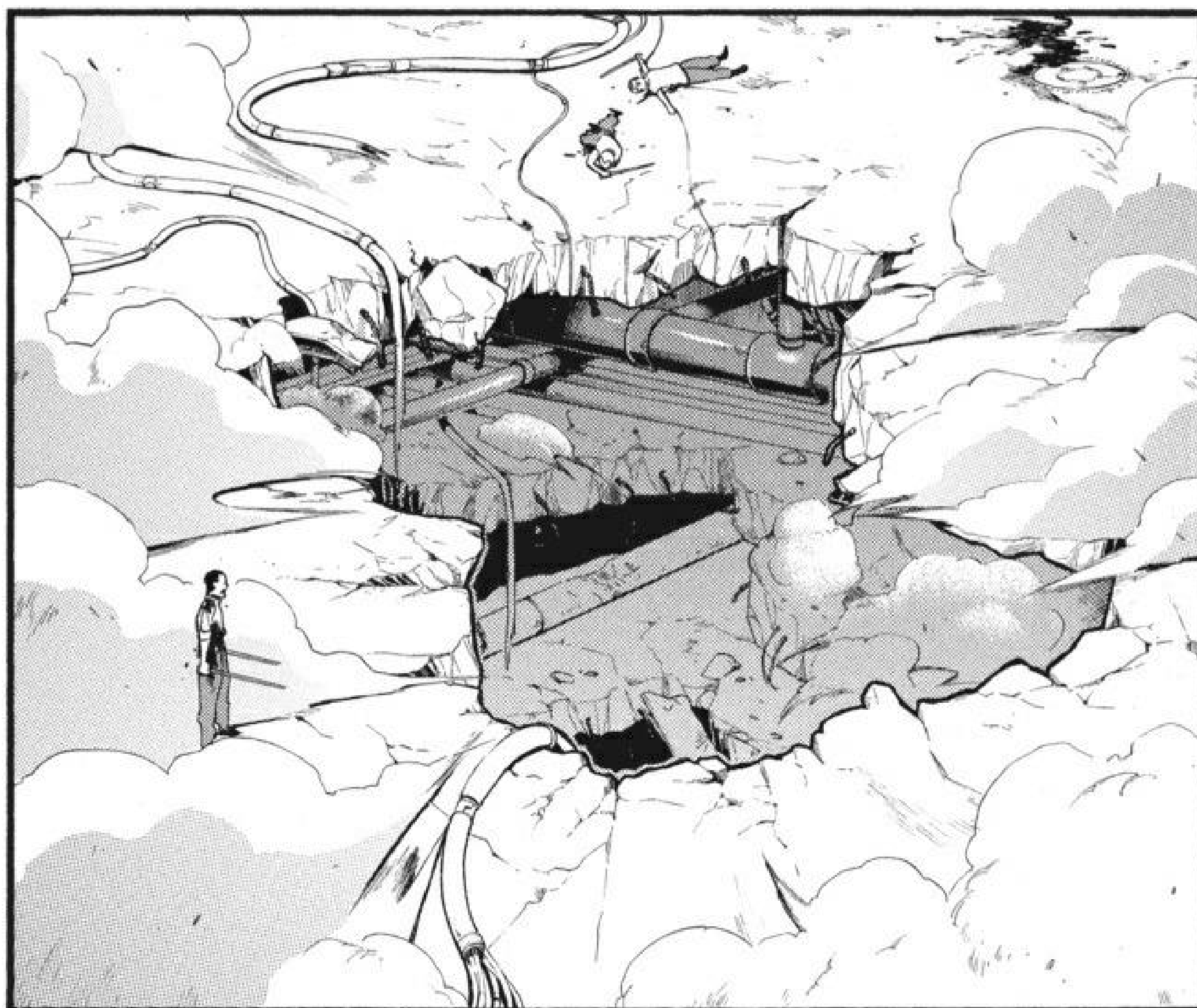
A WOMAN WHO
TRIED TO BRING
BACK HER DEAD
CHILD, ONLY TO
BE CURSED
WITH A BODY
THAT COULD
NEVER AGAIN
NURTURE
LIFE.



THAT
ULTIMATE
ARBITER OF
ORDER THAT
HUMANS
CALL
"GOD"...

...IS
"THE
TRUTH."

FOR EVERY
HUMAN WHO
DARES
CHALLENGE
THE NATURAL
ORDER, A
FITTING
PUNISHMENT
IS METED OUT
TO PUT THEM
IN THEIR
PLACE.



SO, YOU
PLAN TO
GET IN
FATHER'S
WAY.





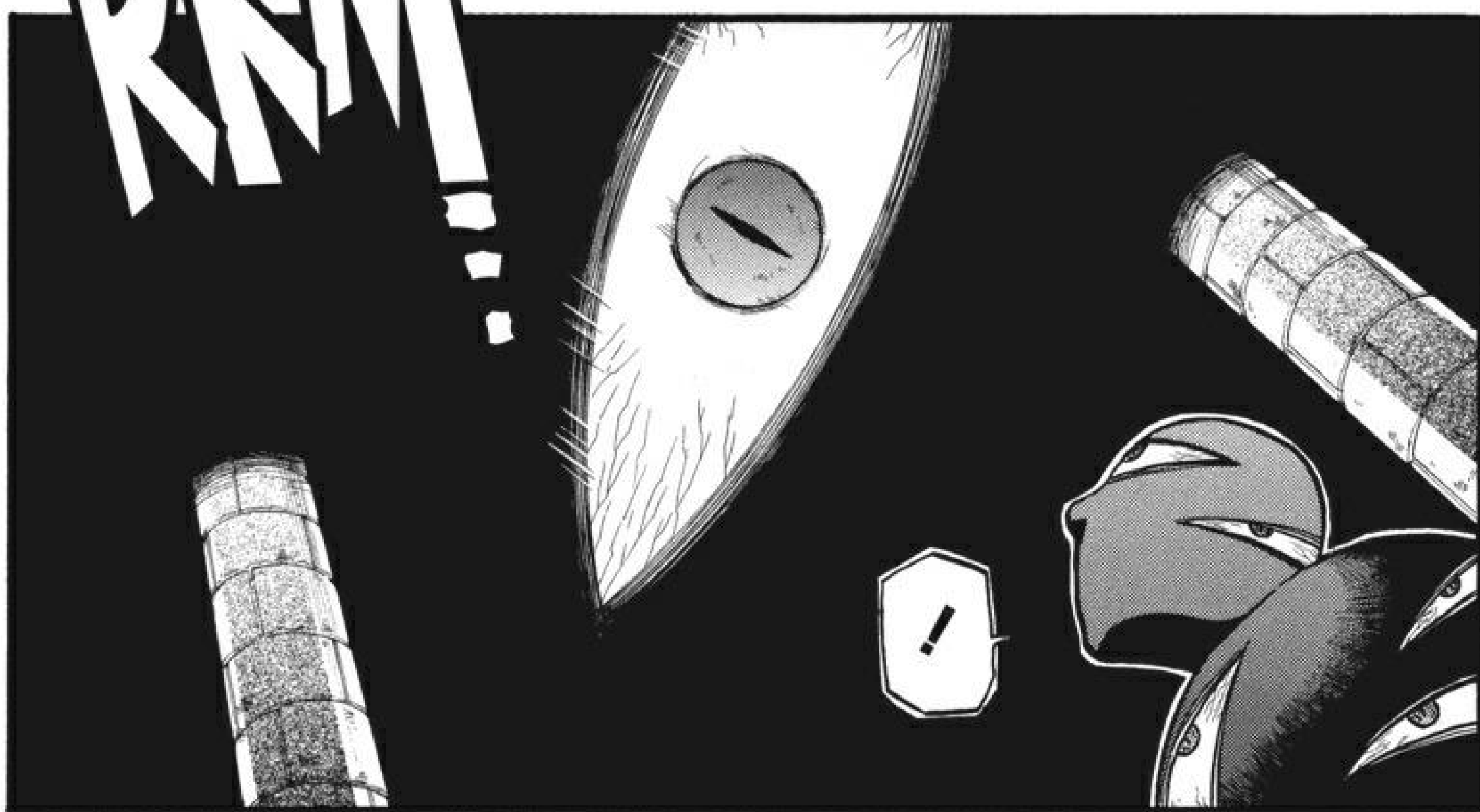
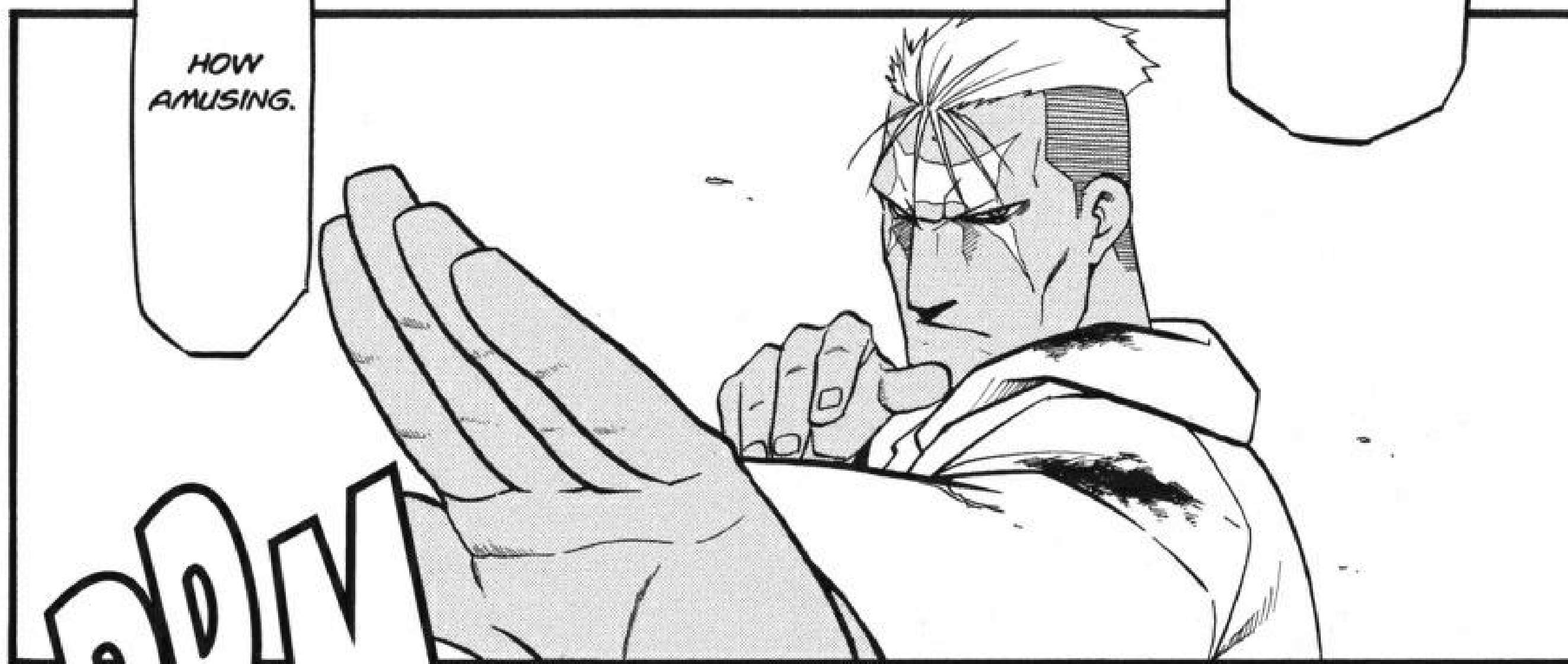


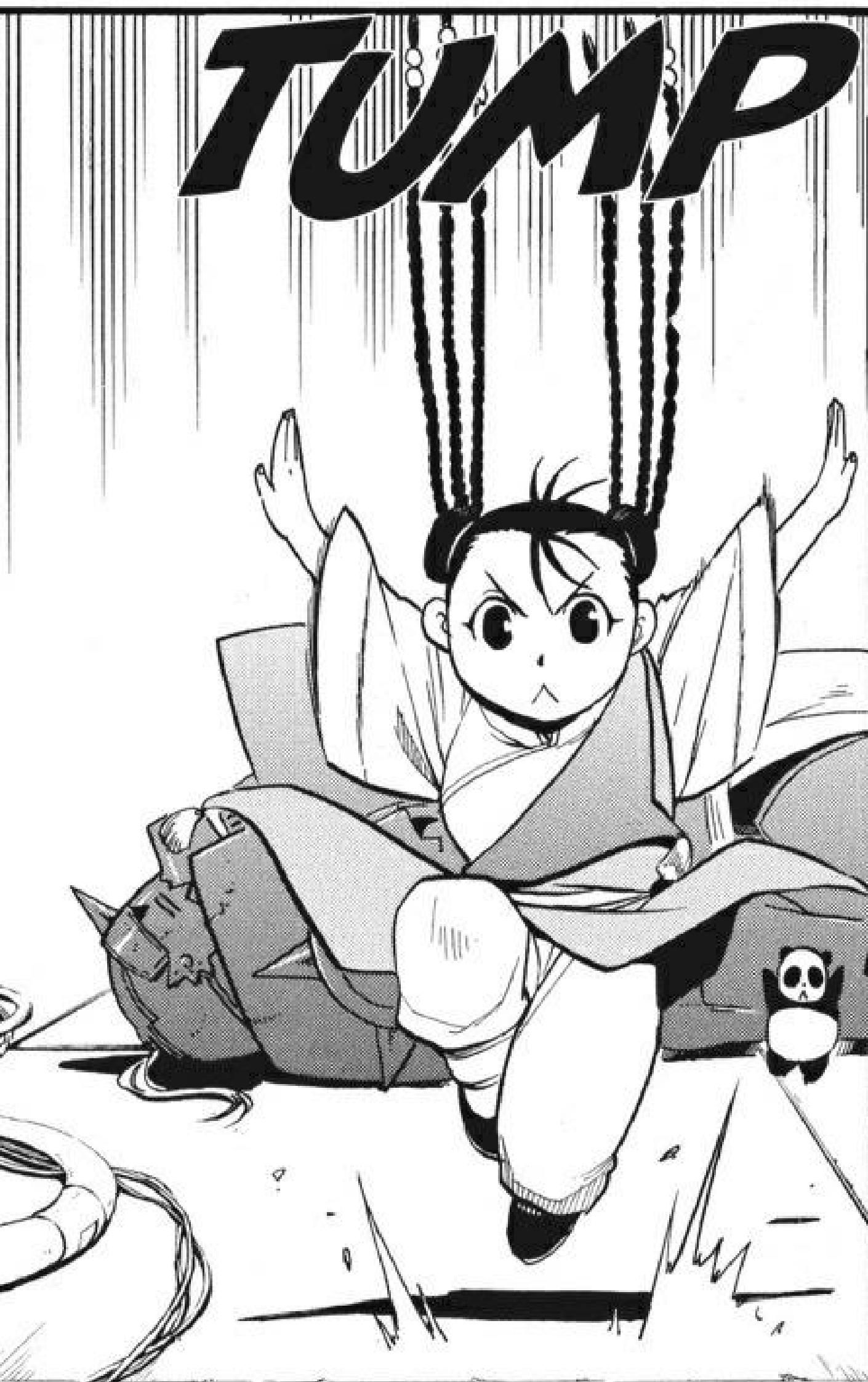


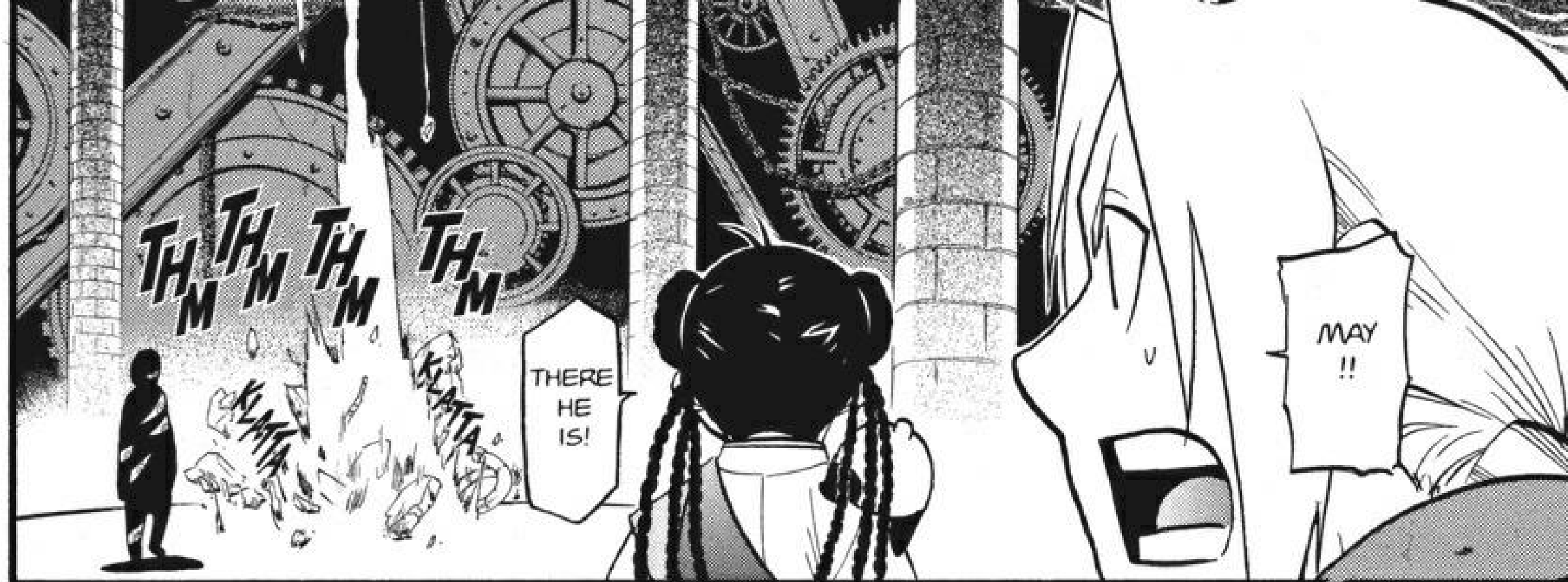


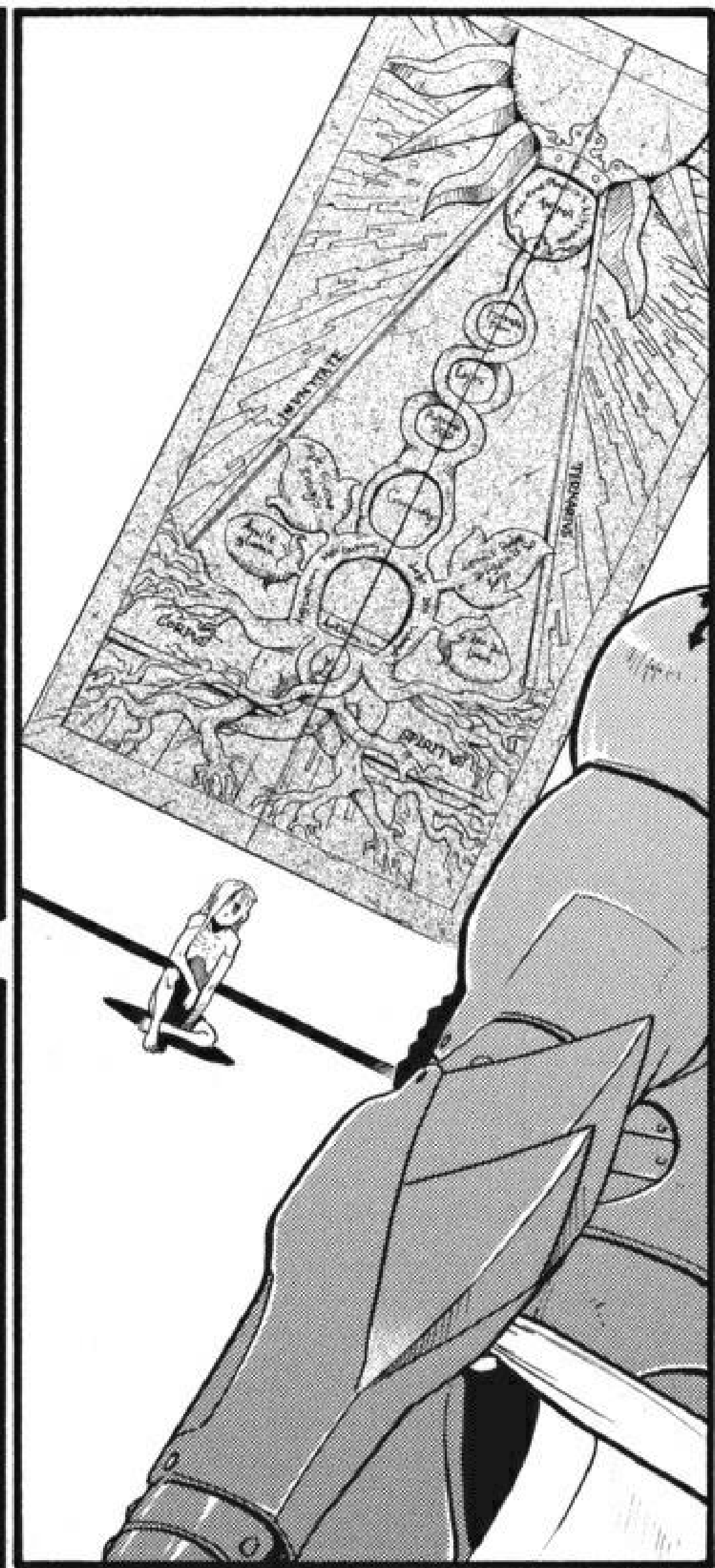
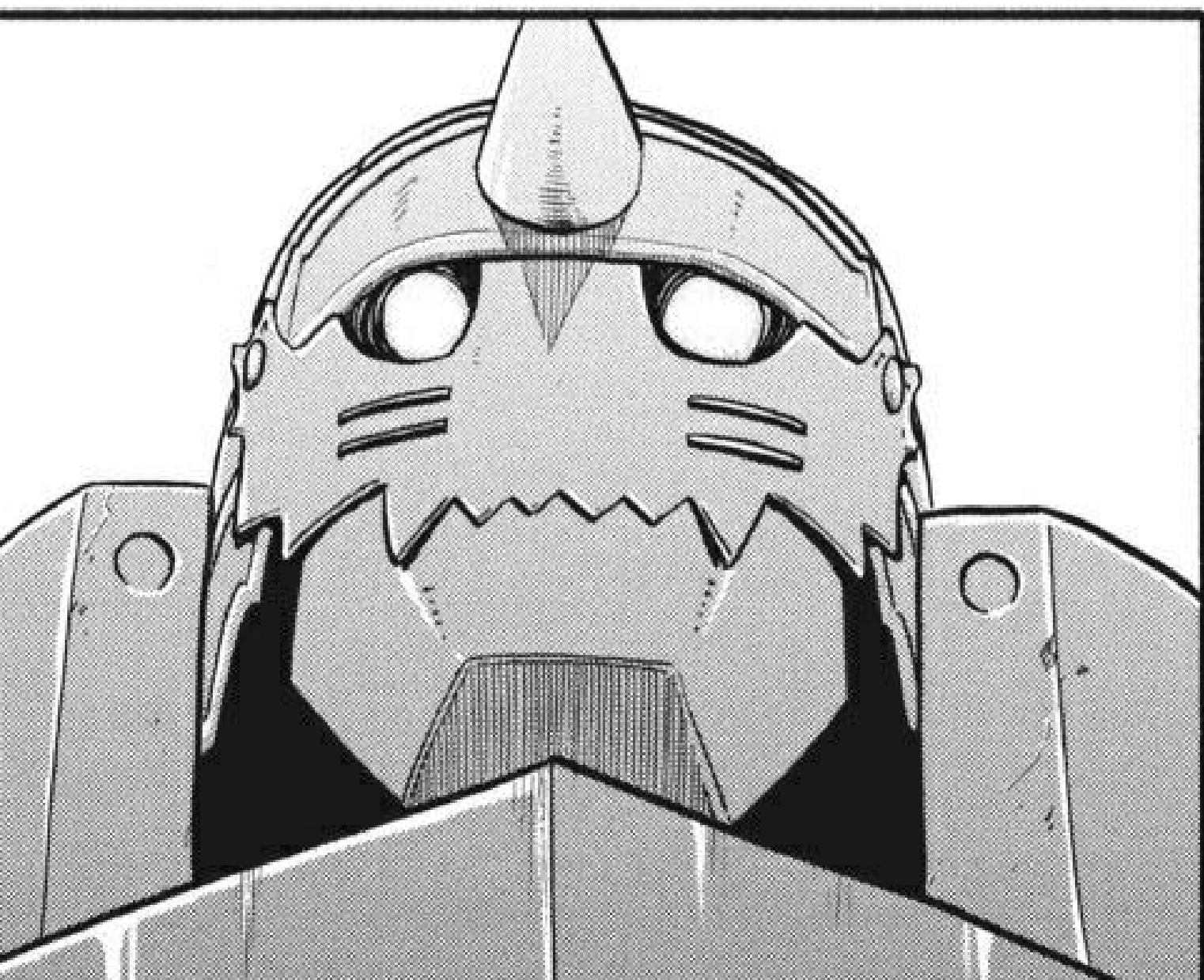
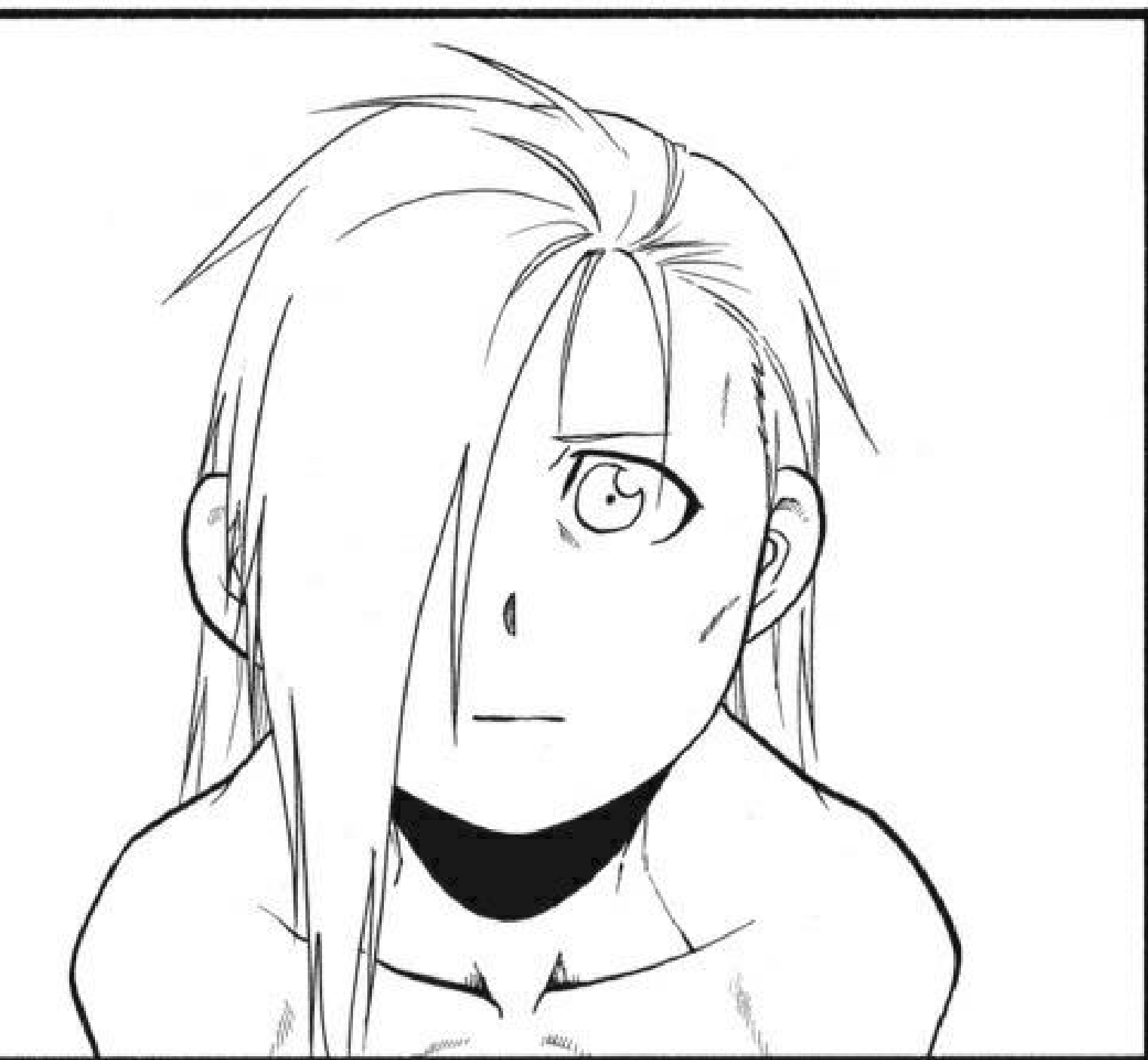
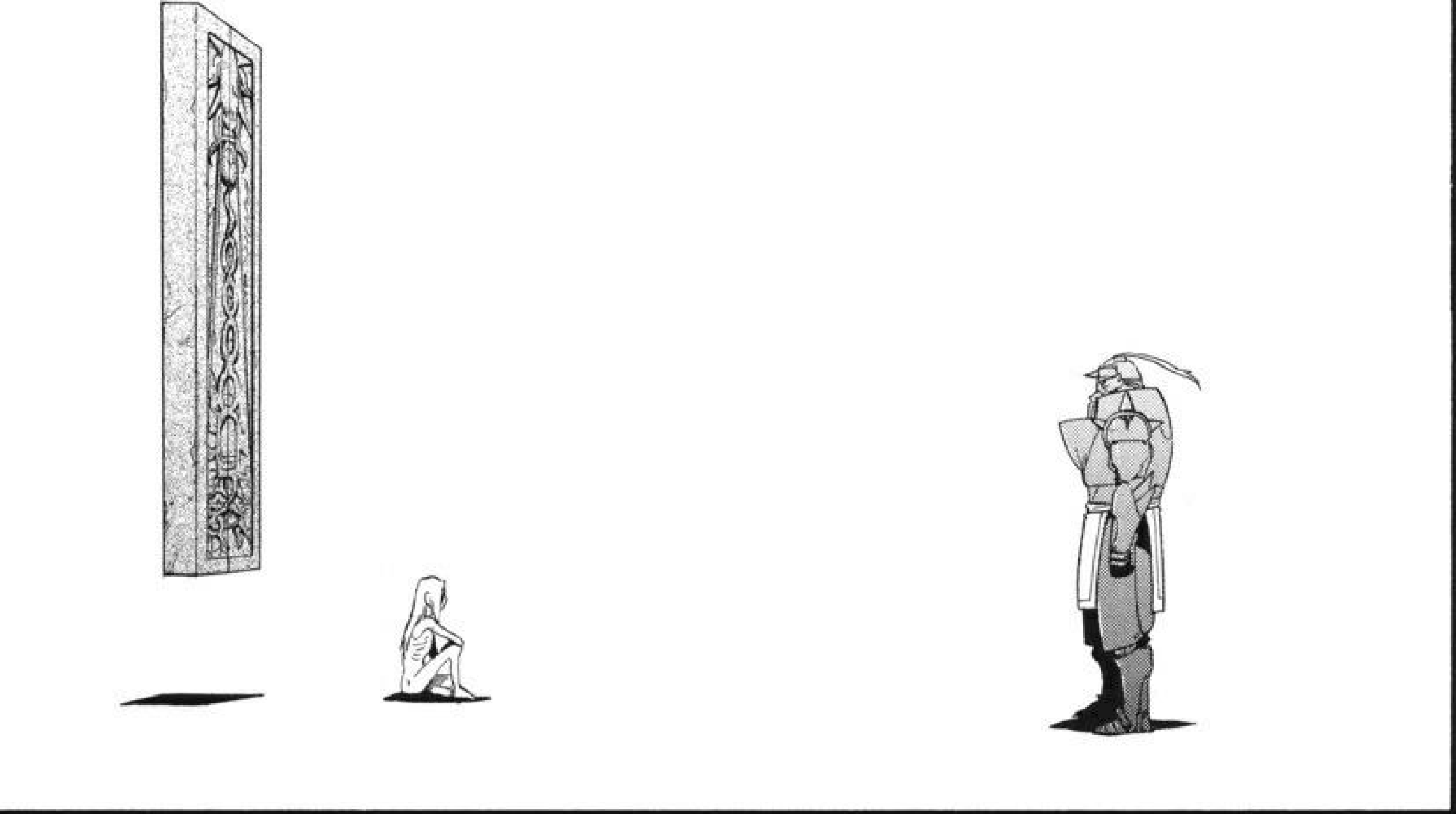
HOW
AMUSING.

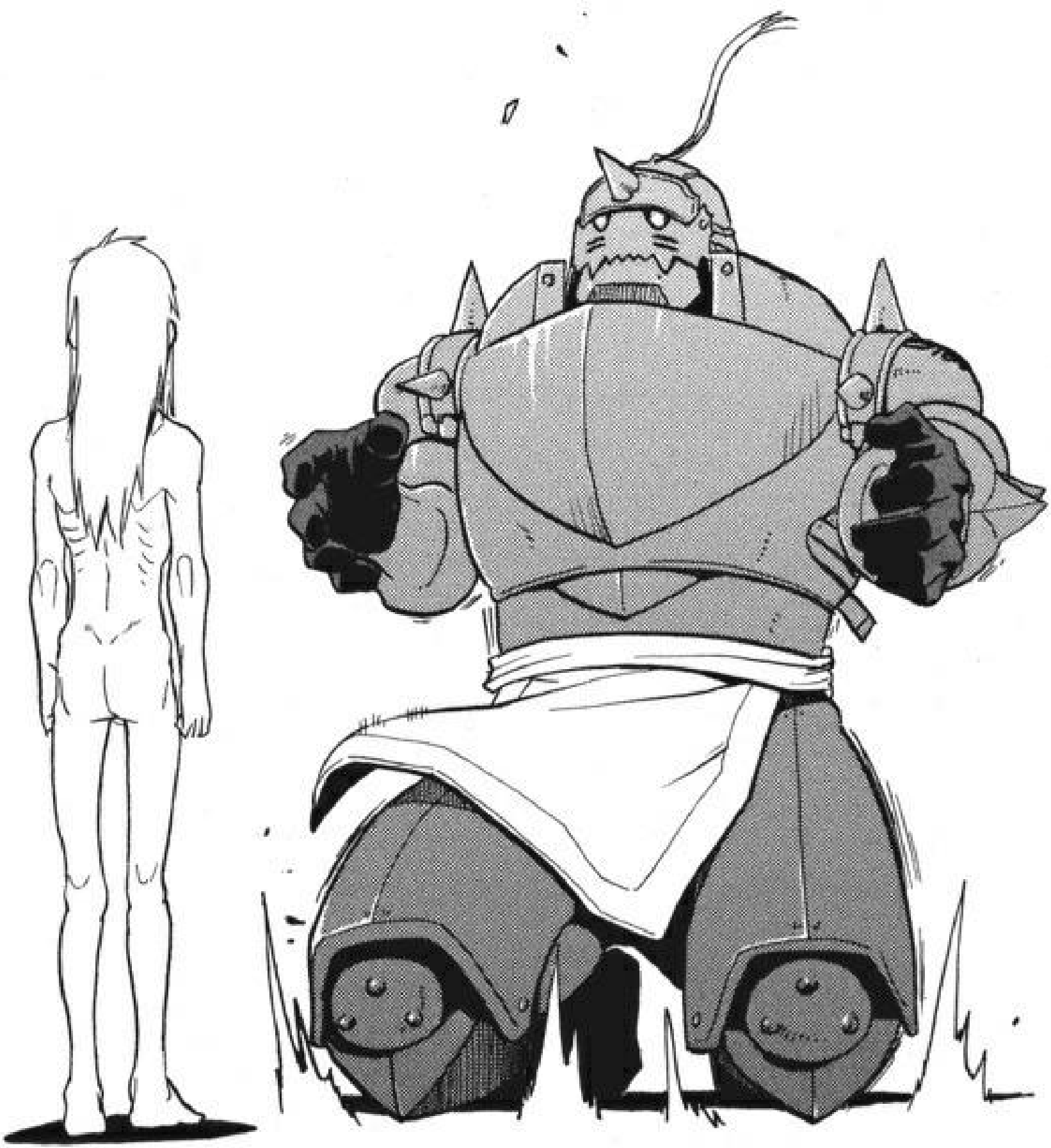
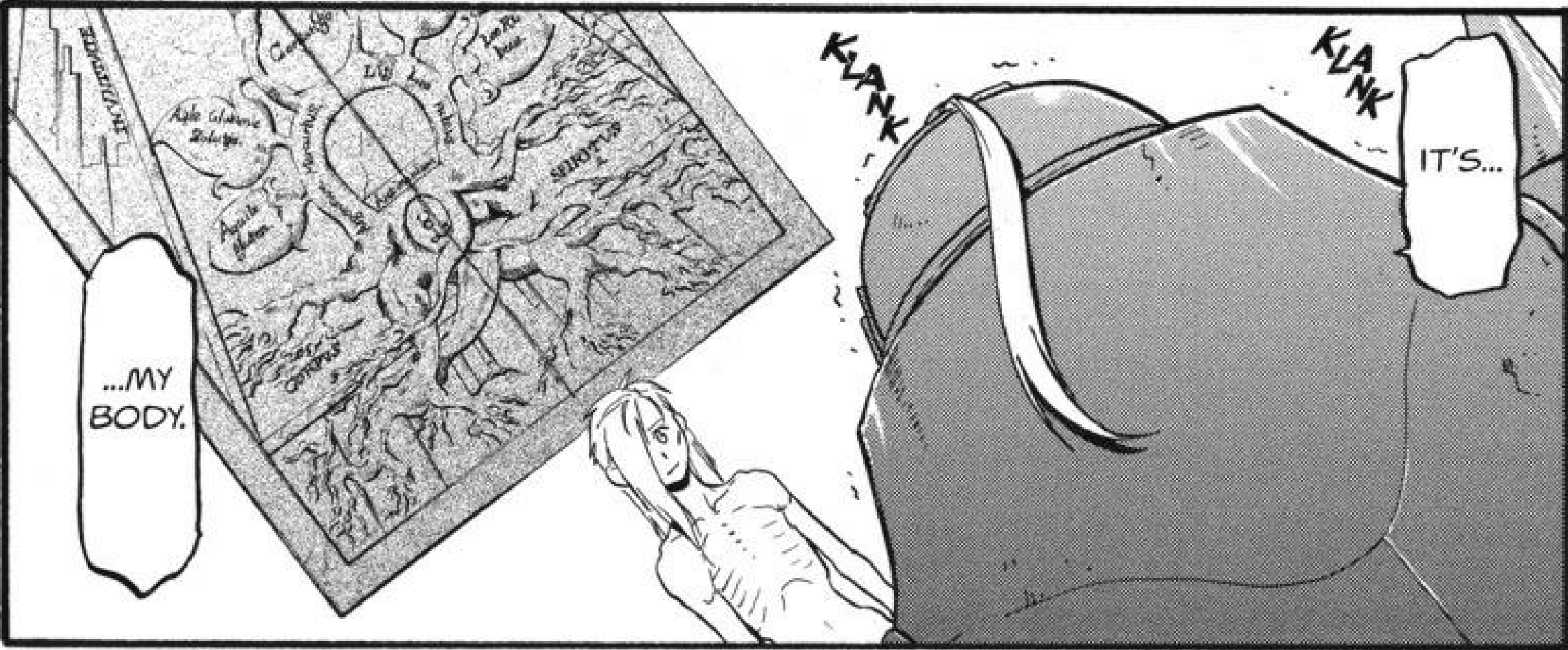
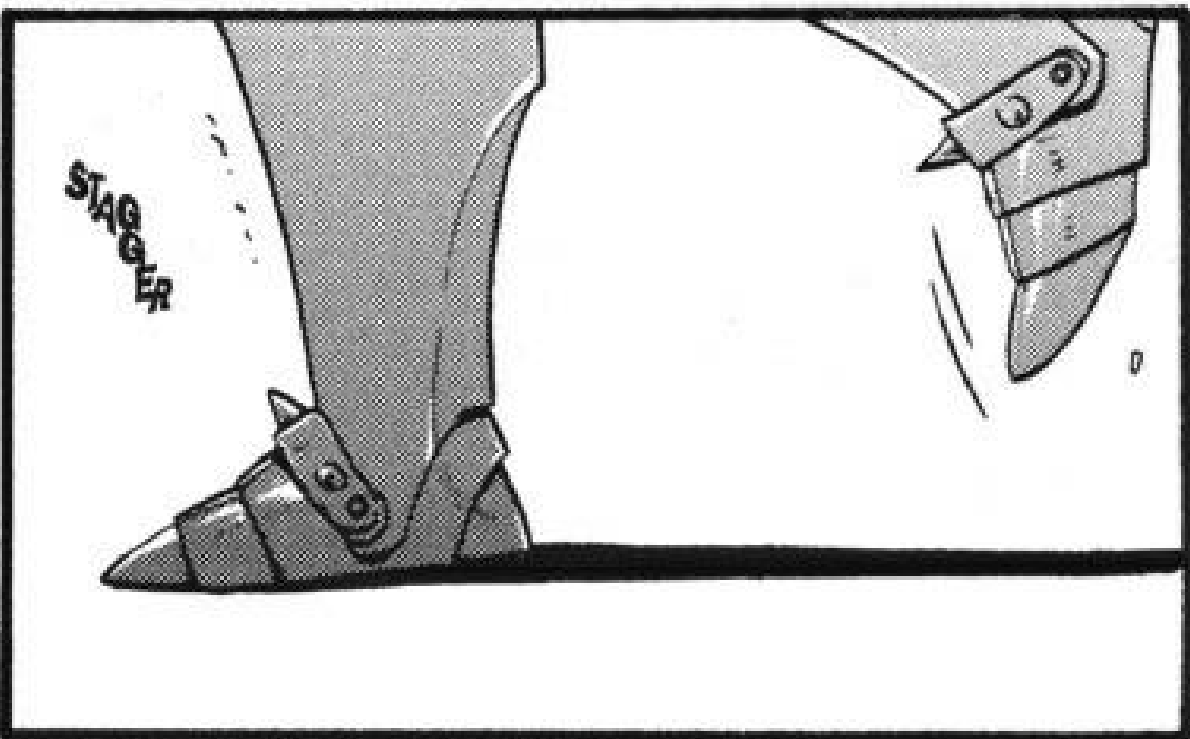
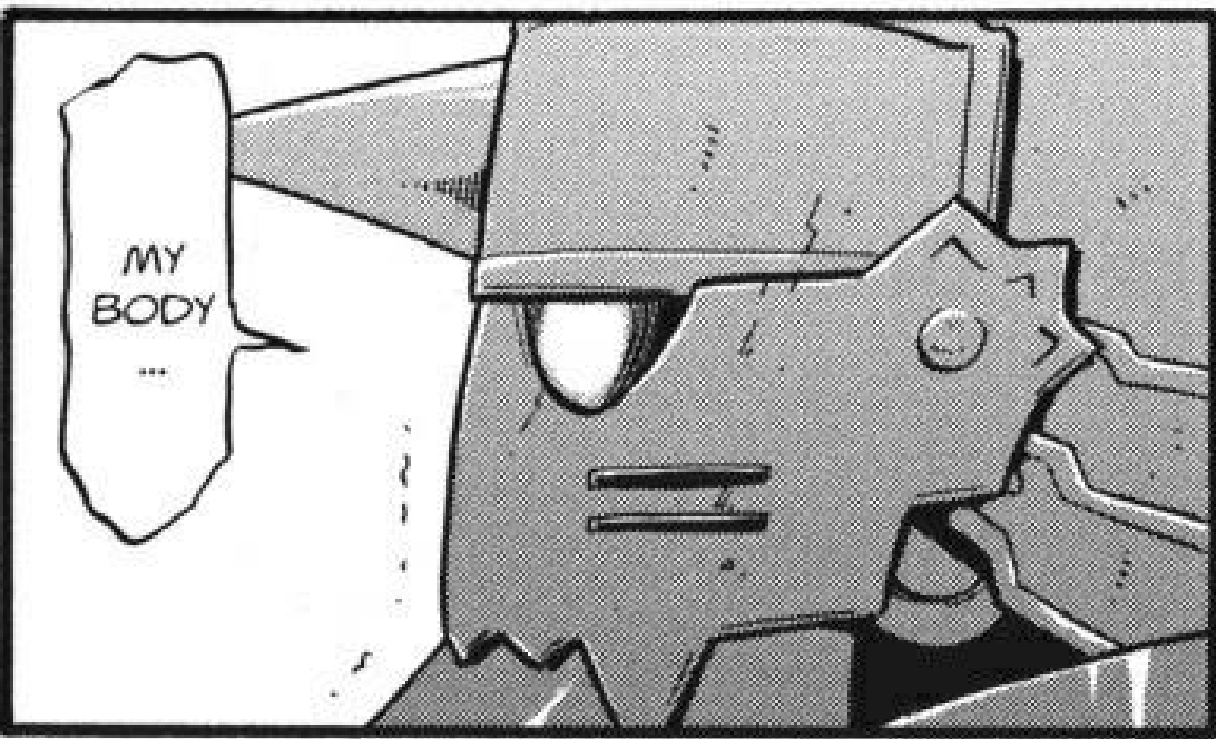
TWO
NAMELESS
MEN
FIGHTING
TO THE
DEATH.

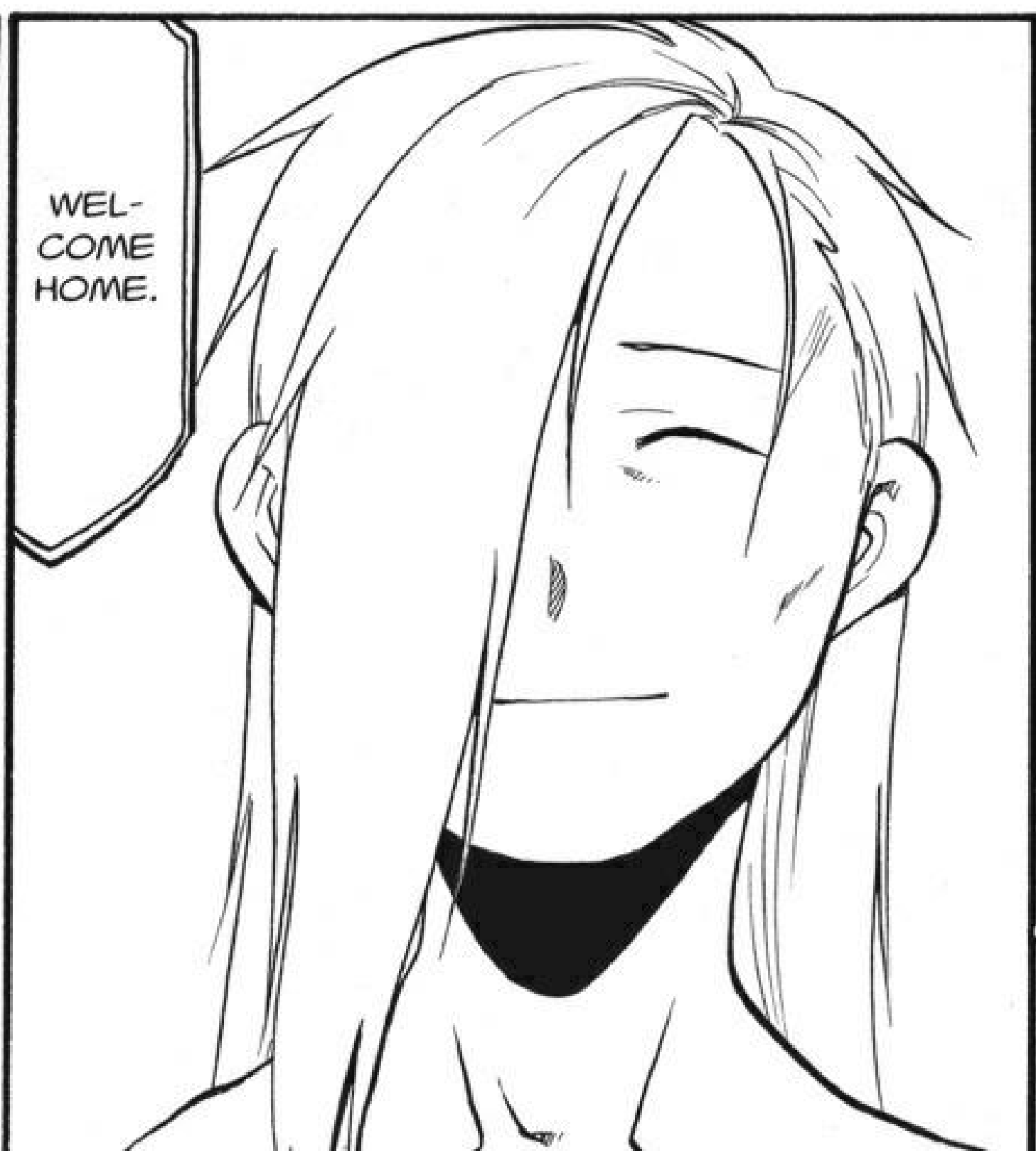
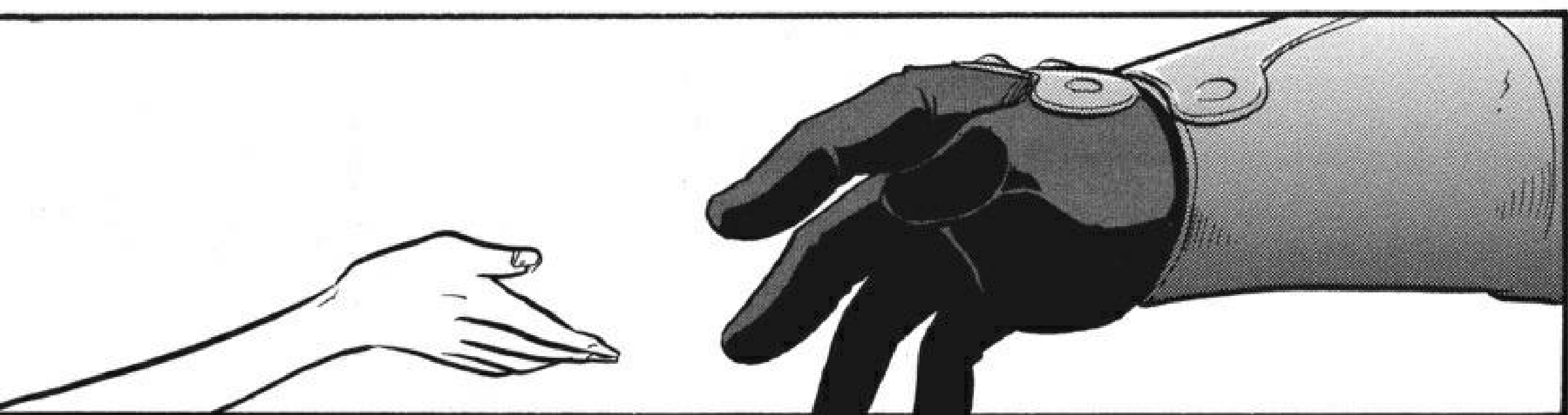
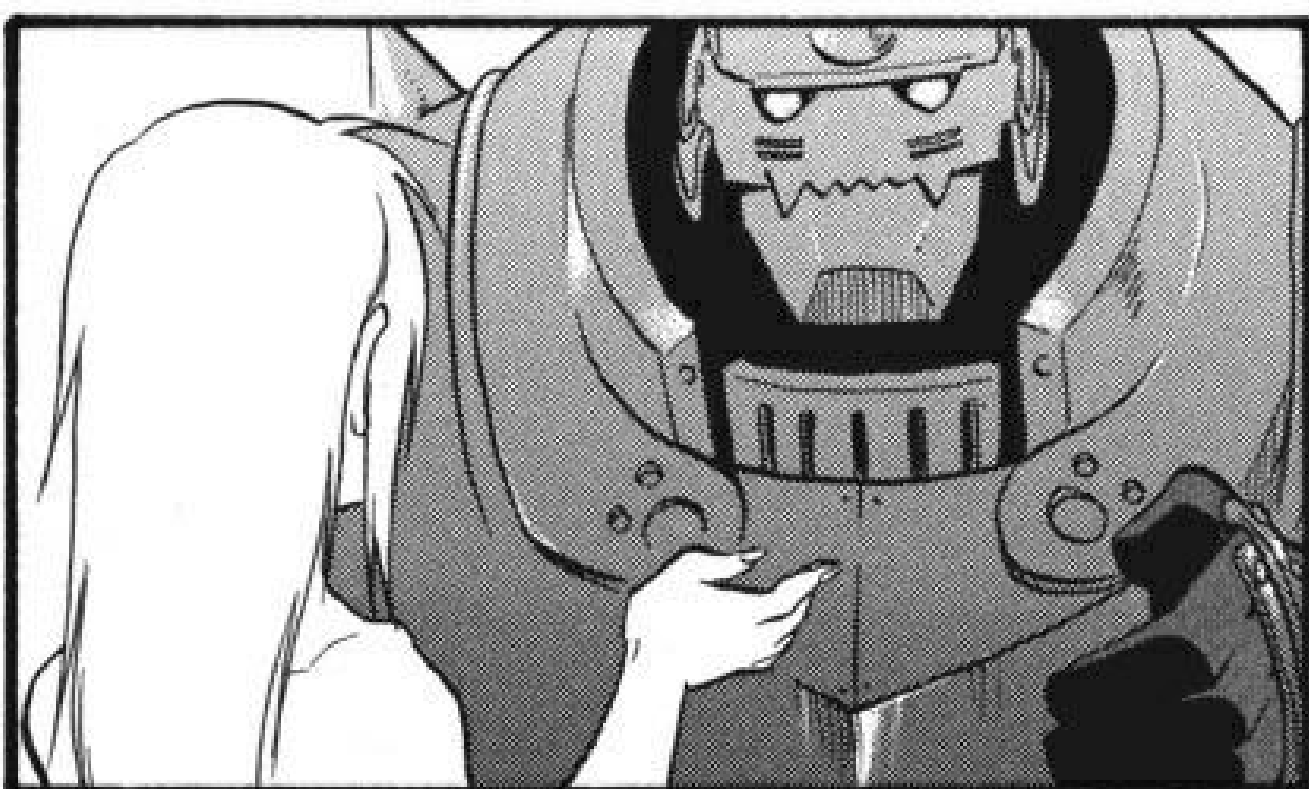














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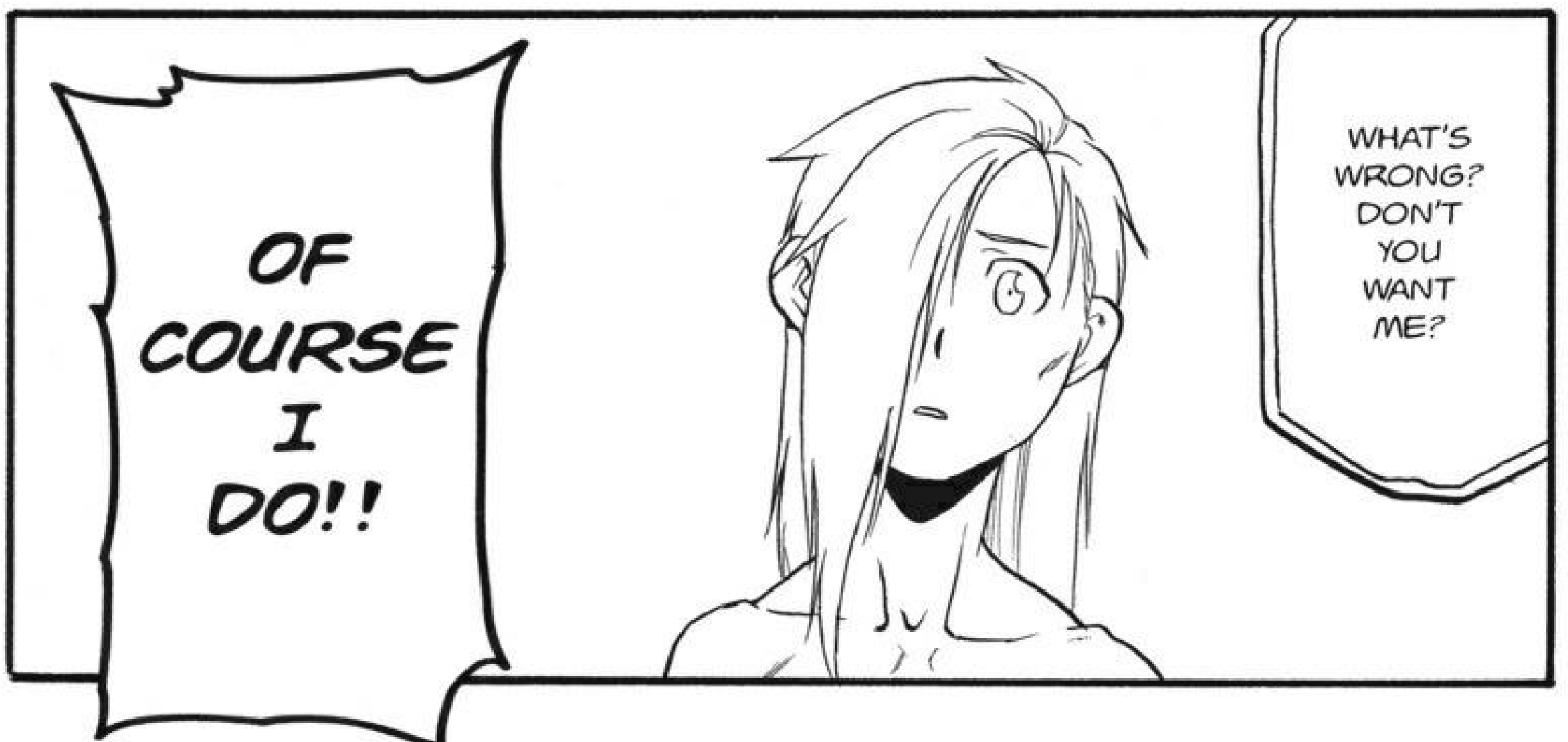
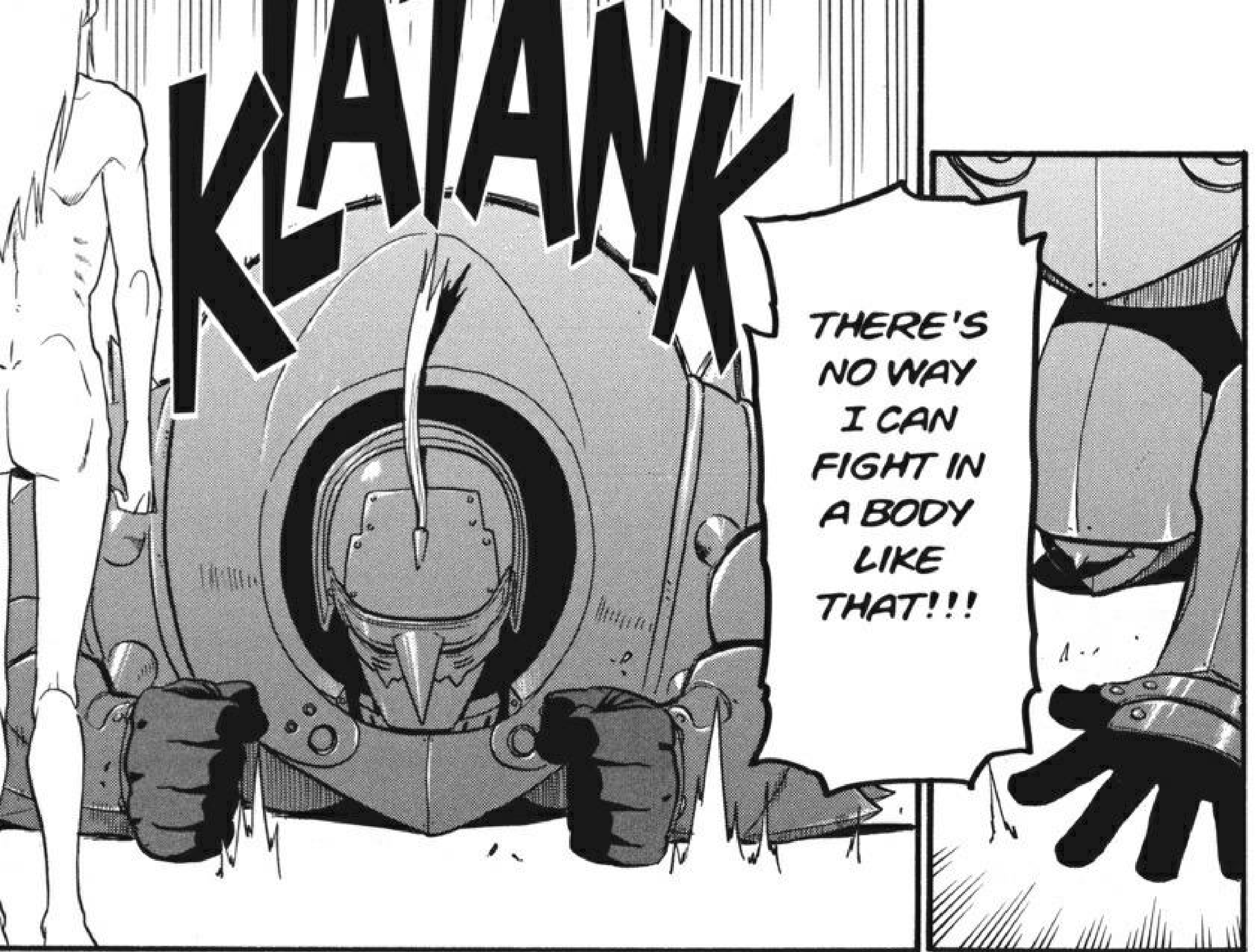


BARELY
ABLE
TO
STAND.

N O T H -
I N G
B U T
S K I N
A N D
B O N E .



LOOK
AT THIS
FRAIL
ARM.





BUT
NOW...

FOR SO
LONG, I'VE
WANTED
NOTHING
MORE THAN
TO GET MY
REAL BODY
BACK!!!

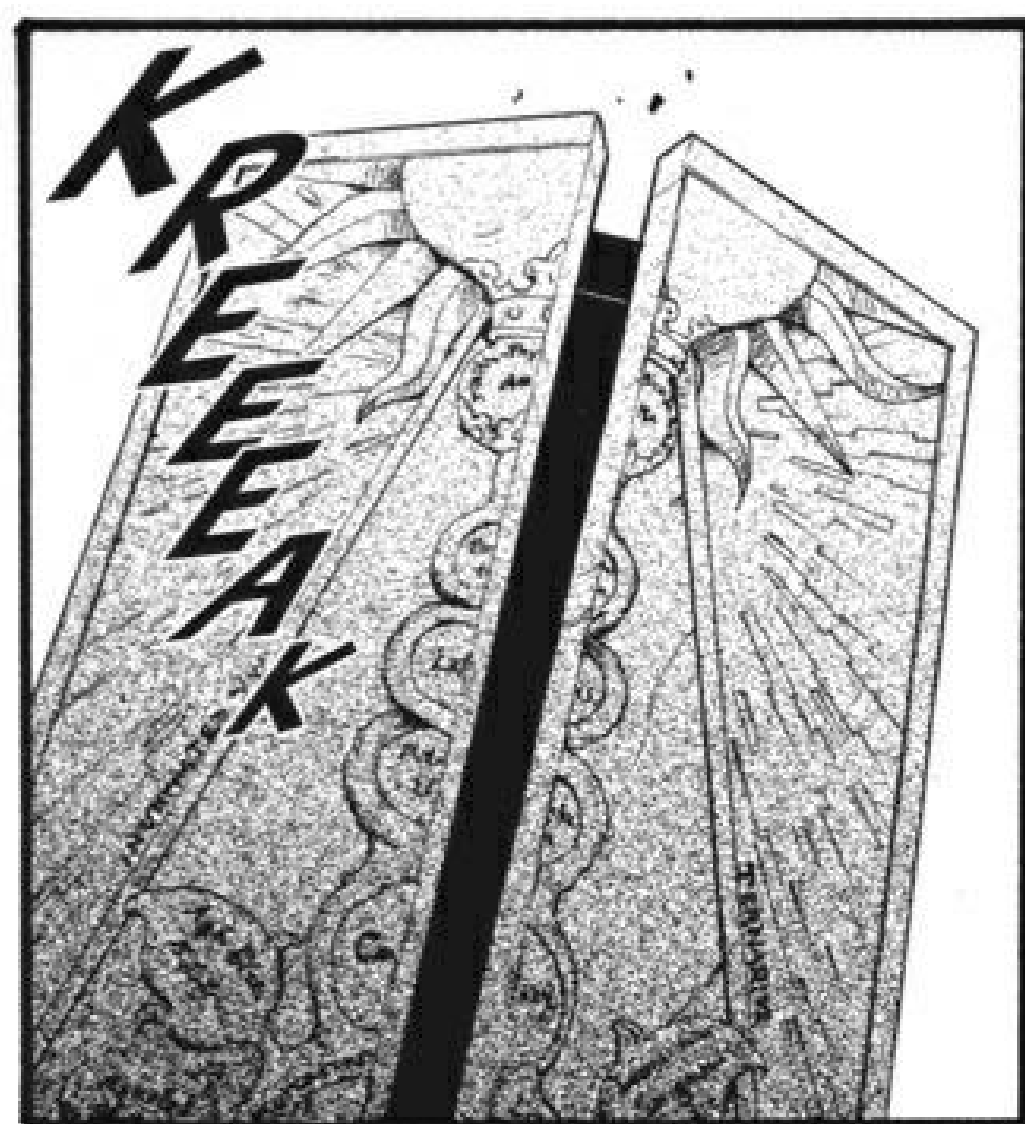
ALWAYS,
ALWAYS,
ALWAYS!

I
ALWAYS
HAVE
!



I'M NO
USE TO
ANYONE
WITH A
BODY
LIKE
THAT!!

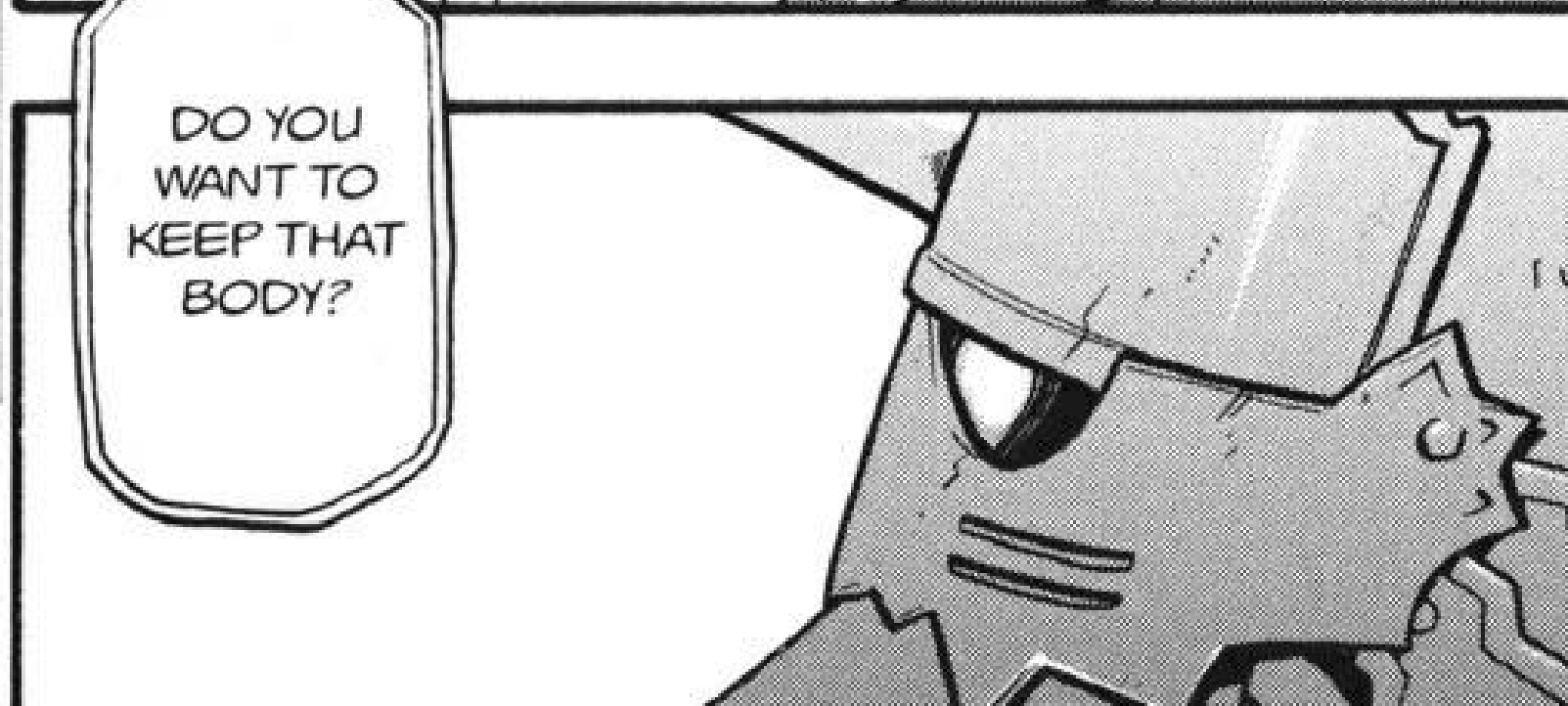
NOW...
ISN'T
THE
TIME.



K
R
E
E
A
K



DO YOU
WANT
TO GO
BACK?



DO YOU
WANT TO
KEEP THAT
BODY?



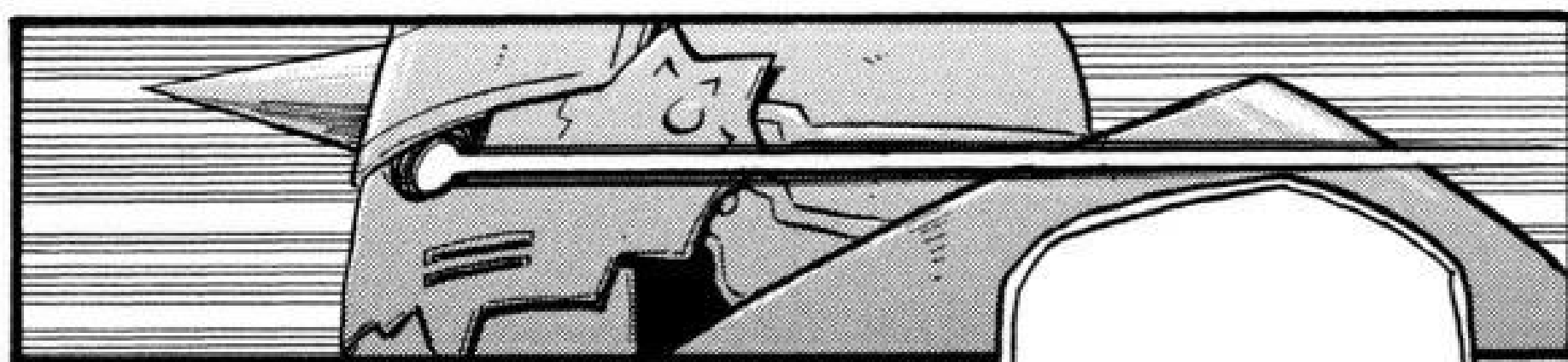


JUST
HANG IN
THERE
A
LITTLE
LONGER
!!

I'M
SORRY!!
I'LL
BE
BACK
!!



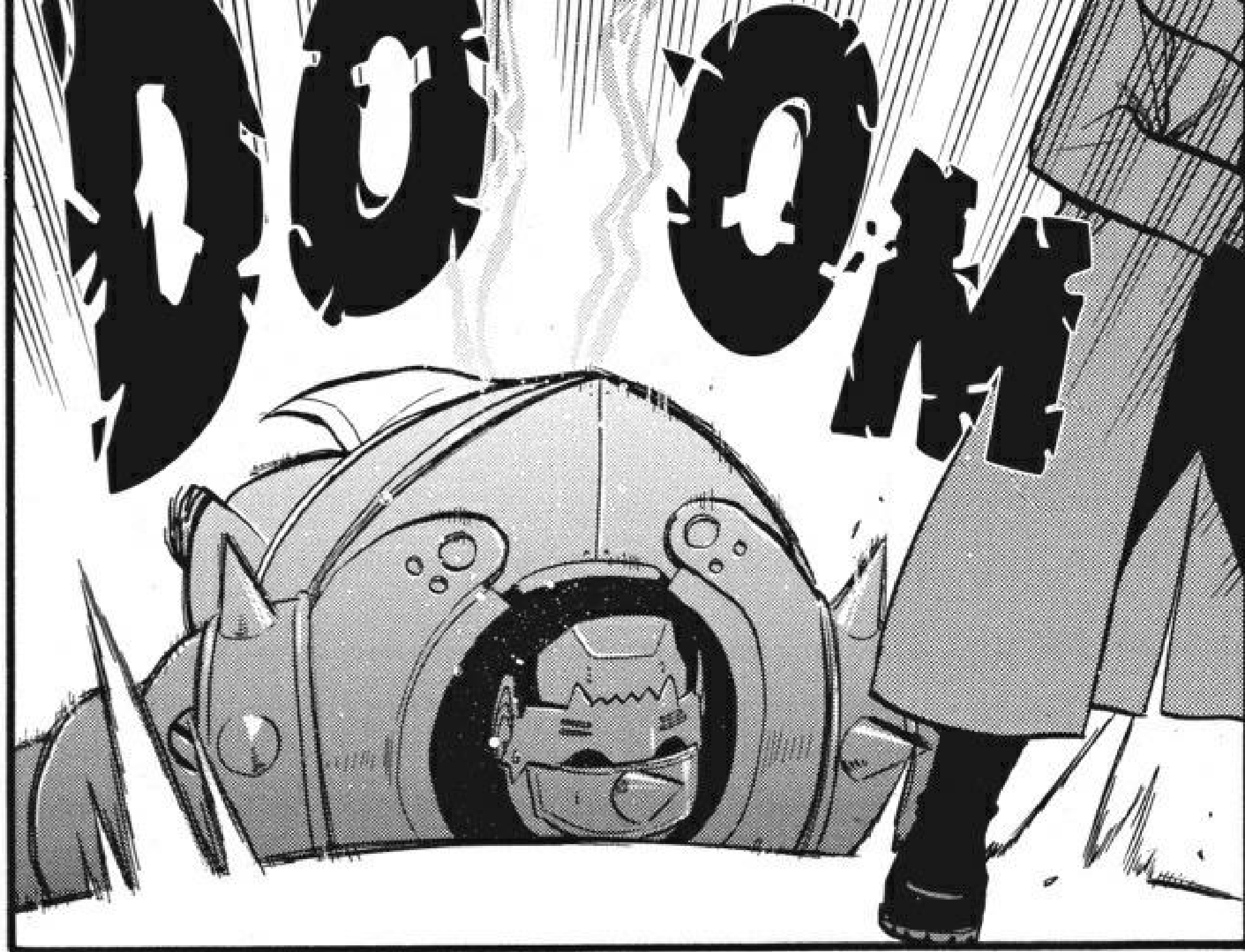
I'LL
COME
BACK,
NO
MATTER
WHAT
!!



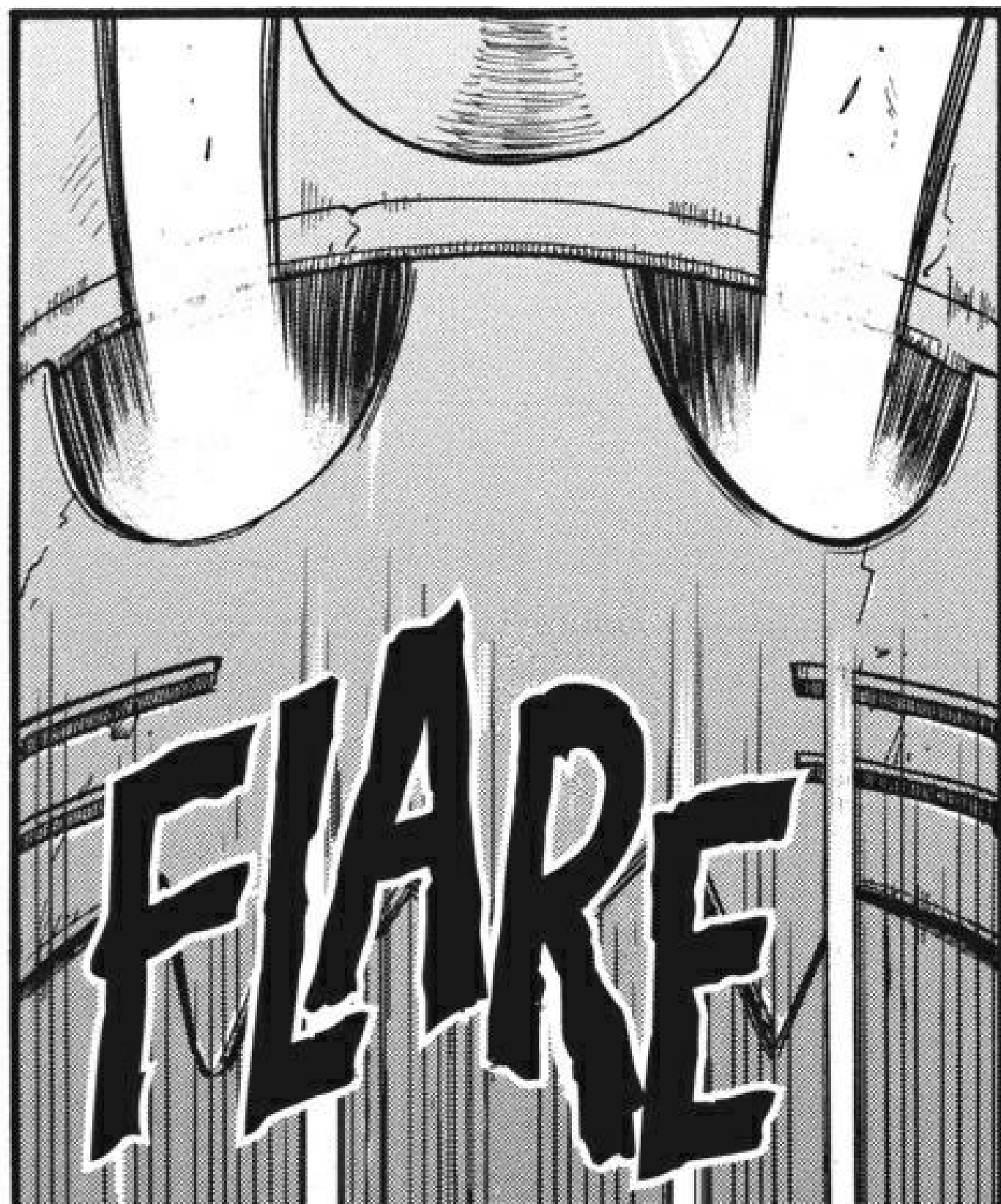
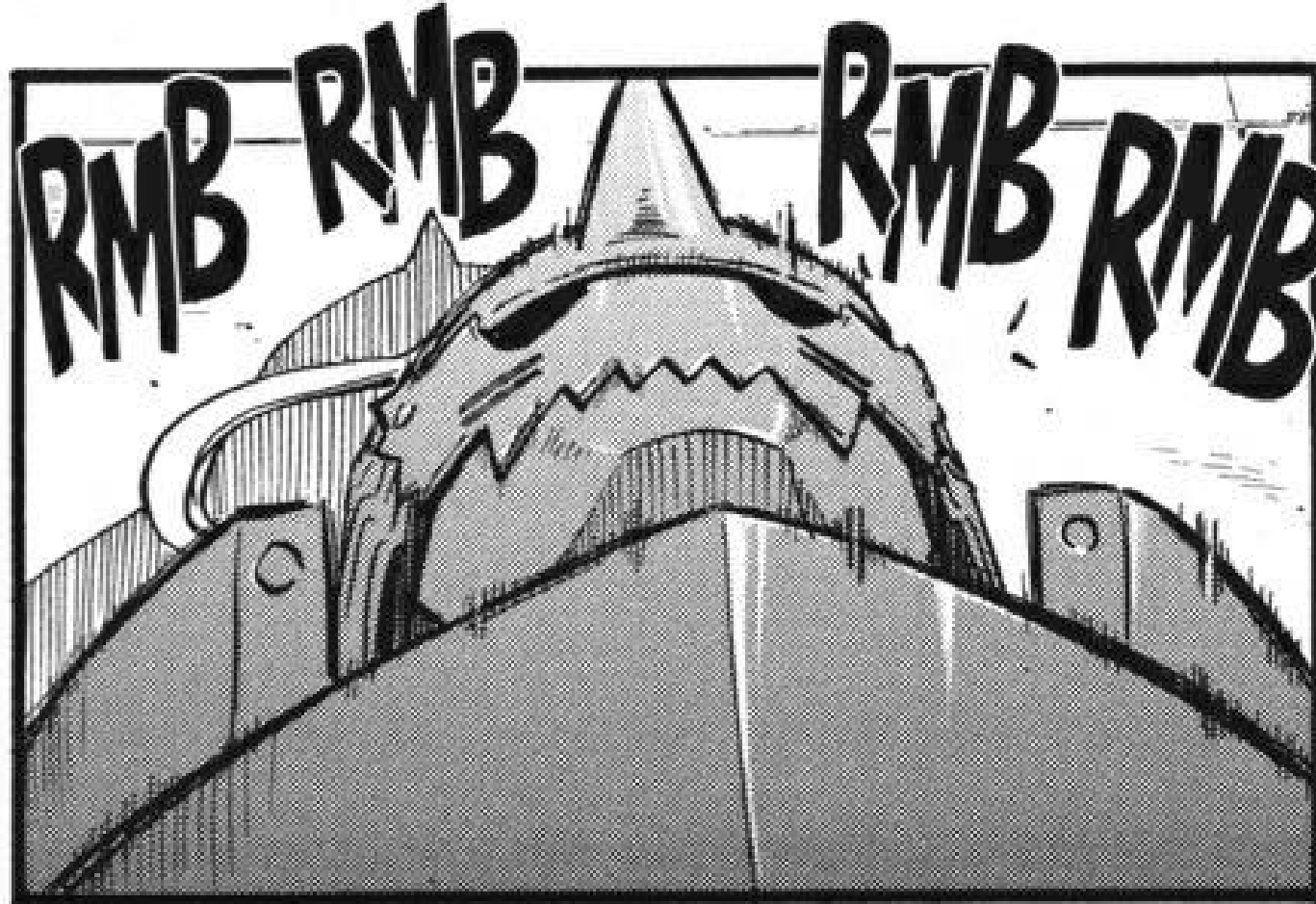
AFTER ALL
THOSE YEARS
OF
SEARCHING,
YOU WALK
AWAY FROM
YOUR HUMAN
BODY.

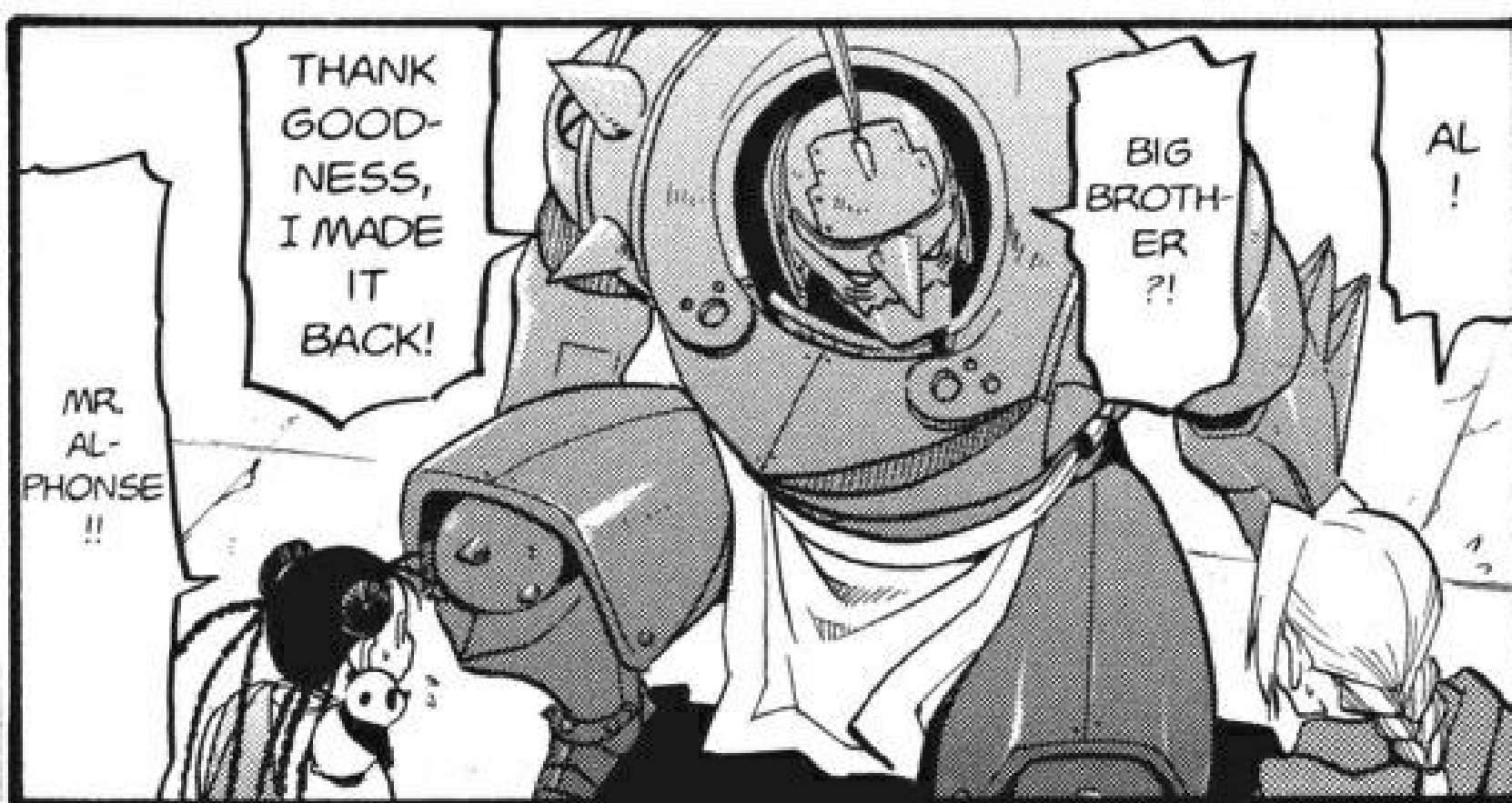


NO
MATTER
WHAT!!
I
PROMISE
!!



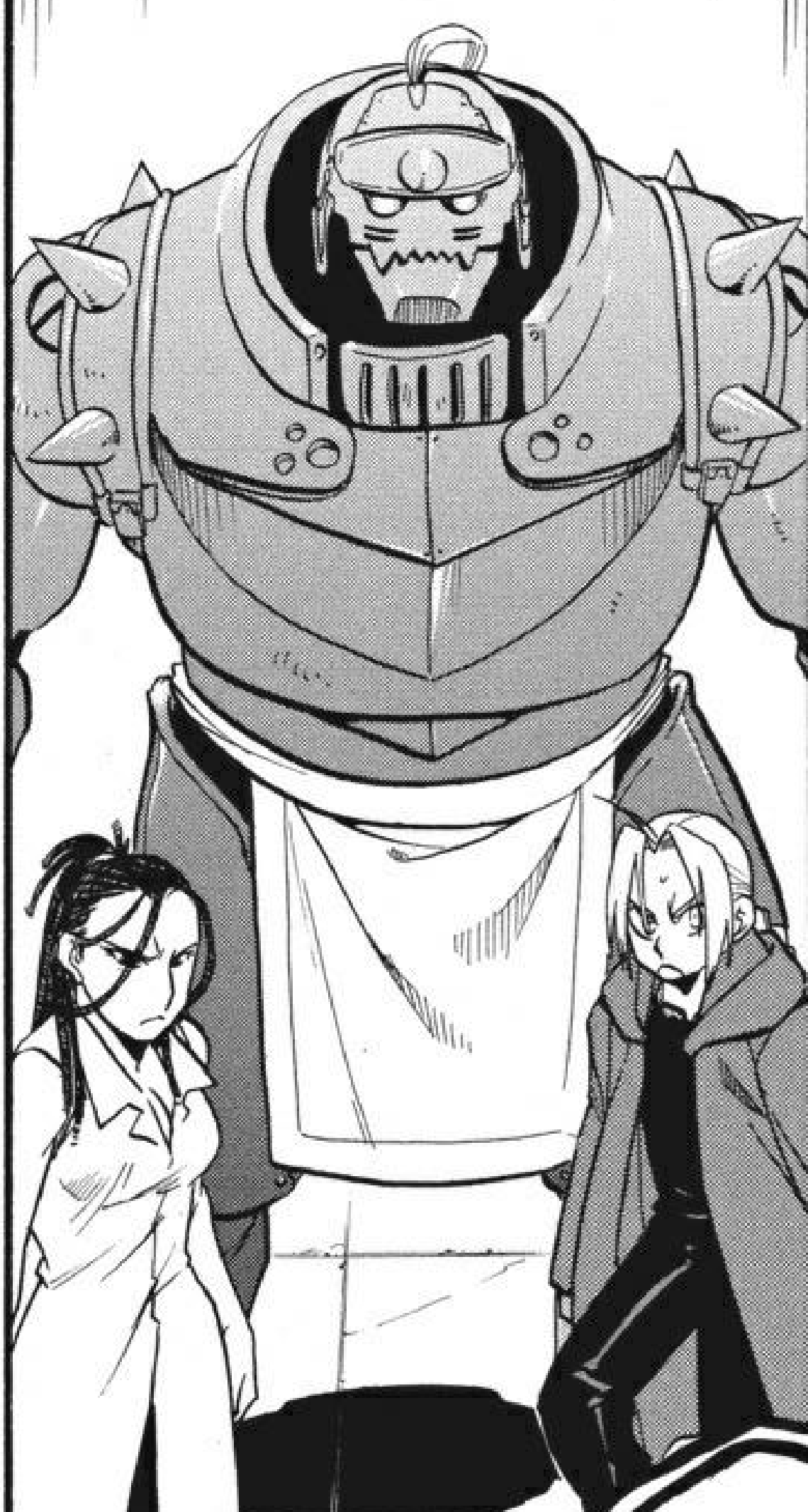
EXPLOSION







AND
NOW
I
HAVE...



...ALL
FIVE
!!!





FULLMETAL
ALCHEMIST

